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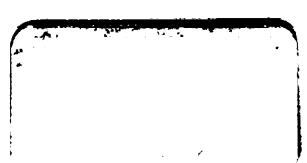
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BOARD OF CITY RECORD.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, NEW YORK,
Thursday, 3 P.M., December 9, 1897.

At a meeting of the Board of City Record, held this day—
Present:

The Hons. William L. Strong, Mayor; Francis M. Scott, Counsel to the Corporation; and Gen. C. H. T. Collis, Commissioner of Public Works, the officers designated by section 66 of the New York City Consolidation Act, the Mayor communicated the following letter in reference to the publication of the ancient Dutch Records of New York:

To the Hon. WILLIAM L. STRONG,
Mayor of New York:

DEAR SIR—Under your authority of October 2, 1895, and that of the Board of Aldermen of the 8th of the same month, "The Records of New Amsterdam, from 1653 to 1674," have been printed in English, and complete in seven octavo volumes, with a proper introduction and full index, within the seven thousand dollars voted for the purpose by the Board of Apportionment on December 31, 1895, the members of your committee acting without compensation in the matter.

Will you be so good as to inform the Board of City Record of these facts, and the final completion of this earliest municipal record of New Amsterdam that exists in English, in order that a proper notice and entry of the same may duly appear in the minutes of the said Board of which you are Chairman.

Very respectfully yours,

ISAAC TOWNSEND SMITH,

Chairman of the Special Committee in Charge of the Work.

NEW YORK, November 29, 1897.

On motion of the Commissioner of Public Works, the following resolution was unanimously adopted and the Supervisor of the City Record was directed to have inserted in Volume VII. of the "Records of New Amsterdam" an excerpt from the minutes of this Board, which shall include the letter to the Mayor and the resolution of this body, thanking the members of the Committee on the publication of the translation of the Dutch Records for the services they have so faithfully rendered:

RESOLVED, That the communication from the Mayor be received, and that the sincere thanks of this Board be and the same hereby are cordially tendered to the members of the Committee, under whose free supervision "The Records of New Amsterdam, from 1653 to 1674," have been, for the first time, printed in English; thereby preserving and making accessible for all time the earliest municipal proceedings that exist of this great city of New York, founded by the people of Holland.

Transcript from the minutes of the Board as ordered.

JOHN A. SLEICHER,

Supervisor City Record.

COURT MINUTES OF NEW AMSTERDAM

At a Court of Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens holden in the City Hall of the City N: Orange the 11th Septem^r A^o 1674 (1673.)

Present Anthony D'Mill, Schout; Johannis van Brugh, Johannis de Pyster, Ægiedius Luyck, Burgomaster; Willem Beeckman, Jeronimus Ebbinck, Jacob Kip, Louwerens van d. Spiegel, Guiliam Verplanck, Schepens.

Jan Romyn, pltf. v/s Isaack Melyn, deft. Pltf. demanding from deft. a barrel of flour and three bushels of peas, offers to confirm the same on oath. Deft. says, he knows nothing about it and offers in like manner to confirm his assertion on oath. Burgomasters and Schepens asked both parties, if they will submit the case in question to the Court as arbitrators? Both answer, Yes. Whereupon the W. Burgomasters and Schepens as arbitrators adjudged, that the deft. shall pay the pltf. 24 shillings and 9^d old English money or the value thereof payable in provisions at four for one.

James Mattheus, pltf. v/s Isack Melyn, deft. Pltf. claims, that there is due him by a/c the sum of fl. 1210. 3. and requests, that the deft. be ordered to pay him before he leaves here. Deft. says, that the pltf. may swear to his a/c as far as concerns his particular a/c and is then willing to pay, but he refuses to pay, what the seamen have disbursed. Ordered, that the private a/c be paid, and further at the request of parties, the Court have as arbitrators regarding the debt of the sailors, resolved that the deft. shall pay the pltf. instead of fl. 594. 10. in question, the sum of fl. 325 only. Against this the deft. brings in that he has paid by a/c the sum of fl. 1092, which the pltf. admits; so that the deft. remains indebted to the pltf. by balance the sum of fl. 443. 3., which he, the deft., shall pay to the pltf. before his departure or otherwise give satisfactory security.

28th Septemb^r: On Sieur Jacob Lyslaer's petition is apostilled:—The petitioner is allowed to receive and preserve until further order the enumerated property of Daniel Van Donck, being 1 case of clothes, 6 pictures, 2 little tables.

The oath of fidelity taken by the inhabitants follows:—

We promise and swear in the presence of Almighty God to be faithful to their High Mightinesses the Lords States General of the United Netherlands and his Illustrious Highness, the Prince of Orange, and their Governour already appointed or hereafter to be appointed here; and on all occasion to demean ourselves as loyal and dutiful subjects are bound to do. So truly help me God Almighty.

The oath of fidelity taken by the English dwelling here in this City follows:—

Wee do Sweare in the Presense of the Almighty God that wee schall bee tru an faittfull to the heigh en Migty Lords the Staetes Genner^l of the United Provinces and his Serene heighnesse the prince of Orangien and to thier Govern^r heere for the time beingh and tho behaive o'selves upon all occasieons as true en faitfull subyet provided onely that wy schall not be forced in armss aginst our onwe Natieon if they be sent by authoriety of his majestie of Engelandt Except they bee accōpaned by a Commission en of other Natieons then Wee doo oblige o'selves to take up armes aginst them Soo help us God.

At a Court of the W. Heeren Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens holden at the City Hall of the City New Orange on the 3^d Octob^r A^o 1673. Present Anthony de Mill, Scout; Johannis V. Brugh, Johannis d'Pyser, Ægiedius Luyck, Burgomasters; Willem Beeckman, Jeronimus Ebbingh, Jacob Kip, Louwerens v. d. Spiegell, Guiliam Verplanck, Schepens.

Juffrouw Maria Teller, pltf. v/s Anna Lisco, deft. Pltf. demands from deft. the sum of fl. 124 in zewant for rent and asks condemnation for it. Deft. admits the debt and offers to pay in goods. The W. Court condemns the deft. to pay the pltf. the aforesaid in good wheat @ 6 gl.; white peas @ 4 gl. per schepel or in merchandize at such price as shall be estimated by arbitrators.

John Cooly, smith, pltf. v/s Thomas Lovelace, deft. Deft. in default. The W. Court orders at pltf's request, that the attachment on

the defts. sloop now lying in the Smith's valley shall be and remain valid.

Hend: Bosch, pltf. v/s Hans Jaccobsen, deft. Pltf. complains, that the deft. carried to another house a piece of linen which he, pltf., gave deft. to weave, notwithstanding that the pltf. immediately offered to pay him for the work. Deft. admits it etc. Whereupon the W. Court decreed and ordered, that the deft. shall bring the linen to the pltf's house and there receive his pay on delivery, and condemn the deft. in the costs herein accrued.

Richard Elliott, p^t v/s Cattharina Purchase, def^t. The p^t demandts by ballance of a bill the sume of £2: 5: 3. Humbly Craveingh Judgem^t for the Saeme. Uppon hearinge of the debates of both parties the Worppⁿ Court ordered that the def^t Schall Make payment unto the p^t w^{thin} the Space of Six Weekes next ensuingh accordingh to the tenior of the s^d bill.

Jaemes Mattheus, pltf. v/s Thomas Taylor, deft. Pltf. declares, that John Ryder owes him the sum of fl. 1376. 5., in payment of which sum he, pltf., has attached in defts hands 5 candesticks and 2 fire shovels belonging to said Ryder; demands condemnation of the same. Defts. replies, that John Ryder owes himself and that the said candlesticks and shovels were sold him 14 days after the surrender of this place. The W. Court having heard the arguments of parties on both sides, orders that as John Ryder still continues insolvent, the creditors shall come in concurrently for said goods.

Henry Newton, pltf. v/s John Cooly, deft. Pltf. demands from deft. according to bill, the sum of fl. 100. passed by the deft. to one William Sinckles and conveyed by said Sinckles to Capt. Niclaes, from whom he received said obligation by assignment; demanding payment thereof. Deft. says, the bill has been already paid at the South river. The W: Court orders, that the deft. shall prove within the space of 6 weeks, when he paid it.

Adriaen van Laar, pltf. v/s Thomas Willeth, deft. Pltf. demands from the deft. the remaining half of 99 pieces of eight, being for beavers sold to the deft's deceased son, John Willeth. Deft. says, that his said son's debt does not concern him and that, what he paid the pltf. thereon was down of his free will, etc. The W. Court orders, that the pltf. shall

shew and prove, that the deft. has taken and received some goods or effects of his said son, when the W. Court shall further consider it.

Teunis Carey, pltf. v/s Allerd Anthony, late Sheriff, deft.

Pltf. demands from the deft. for board delivered to

divers prisoners on def^t's order the sum of..... fl. 301

And further for like delivered board according to $\frac{1}{2}$ 21

Amounting together to..... fl. 322

demands payment thereof. The W. Court having examined the a/c. and heard the arguments of parties, their Worships order, that the deft. shall pay the pltf. the following items:—

Dougles' costs to the sum of..... fl. 66

For Capt. Manning's boys..... 54

Item, balance of Ben Johns $\frac{1}{2}$ 66

Amounting together to the sum of fl. 186

And for Thomas Folcks expences amounting to the sum of fl. 118. it shall be taken into further consideration by their Worships.

Dirck van Clyff, pltf. v/s Allerd Anthony, deft. Pltf. demands, according to a/c the sum of fl. 268. 7. and that deft. may be ordered to pay it, with costs. Deft. says, he has paid the pltf. by assignment on M^r Dervall the sum of fl. 50. and has further transferred an assignment of Govern^r Lovelace on Capt. Manningh for the sum of fl. 200. Burgo-masters and schepens having heard the arguments of parties on both sides, their Worships decree, that the plt. must look to M^r Dervall for the fl. 50 as he himself admits, that he was with deft. to Dervals man Joseph Lourens and it was accepted by said clerk, to which the pltf. then made no objection; and further regarding the assignment of Governo^r Lovelace the pltf. must prove, that he returned it to the deft. and when.

Asser Levy, pltf. v/s Edward Smith, deft. Pltf. demands from the deft. the sum of fl. 125. balance of a/c for trusted goods. Deft's wife appears in Court, admits the debt, but requests a little delay, as her husband is on his return home. The W. Court orders, that the goods now in the deft's house shall be delivered under inventory into the hands of the pltf., so that they may not be diminished, and there remain until further order from the Court.

Thomas Williams, arrestant and pltf., v/s Edward Smith, arrested and deft. Pltf. demands from the deft. the sum of £19. and condemnation of the defts. goods, which he, pltf., has attached in deft's house. Def't's wife appears in Court, admits the debt, but says her husband paid a barrel of pork and something else thereon; she requests the case may be suspended, until her husband's return home. The W. Court orders, that the goods in the defts. house shall be delivered under inventory into Asser Levy's hands, until the W. Court make further order about them.

Thomas Gibs, P^t ag'st Edward Smitt, def^t. The P^t demandts of the Def^t the sume of fl. 96. humbly Craveingh Judgem^t for the saeme as alsoo that this Court would be pleased to order that the P^t may fetch home some woodden waer beingh Laid in by y^e P^t unto this Def^t's hous, etc. Itt whas orderedd that the saied Debt schould bee suppended some thyme untul the Def^t Come him selve from New Engelandt, and that the Woodden waer should bee dedielevered unto the P^t hee puttingh in Security to bee responsible for the said waer if the saeme att y^e Returne of the def^t schould be foud not to belong unto the P^t.

Richard Ellodt, P^t ag'st Edward Smith, Def^t. The def^t Remandts restietution of twoo barrels of melassis w^{ch} hee hath laid unto the Def^t's Cellar. The Courd orderedd that the said Mallases schall be Delievered unto the P^t Provided the P^t pundts in sufficiend^t security To be Responsible for the Saeme heere after if itt schold bee found that the Malesses did properly belong unto the P^t.

Hendrick Obe, arrestant and pltf. v/s Christoffel Amy, arrested and deft. Pltf. demands from the deft. . . . The deft. default. The W. Court declares the attachment valid.

Jan Hendrick van Gunst, arrestant and pltf., v/s Robbert Holles, arrested and deft. Def^t. in default.

Jan Hend^k van Gunst, pltf. v/s Francis Liegh, def^t. Def^t. in default.

Edwardt Smitt, pltf. v/s Otto Gerritsen, def^t. Def^t. in default.

Schout Anthony D'Milt, pltf. v/s James Mattheus, def^t. Pltf. says, that in visiting on the evening of the 31st Augst last, he found 7 @ 8 persons, who sat and drank; also visiting on the 17. Septemb^r, being Sunday, he found 8 persons; concluding therefore, that the deft. shall be condemned according to Placard of the 28th August for a double offence in a

fine of fl. 50. with costs. Deft. denies having sold any drink to said persons. Burgomasters and Schepens having heard the arguments between parties, condemn the deft. for a double offence in a fine and penalty of fl. 50. *zew!* according to placard with costs.

Schout Anthony de Milt, pltf. v/s Egbert Myndersen, deft. Deft. in default.

Schout Anthony D'Milt, pltf. v/s Jan Spiegelhaar, deft. Pltf. says, that visiting on the 3^d Sept^r last being Sunday, between 8 and 9 o'Clock before the preaching, he found in deft's house 4 persons, who sat and drank strong drink; concluding that according to Placard of the 28th August last the deft. ought to be condemned in a fine of 25 gl. with costs. The W Court having heard the defts. excuse, condemn him in the fine of 25 gl. according to Placard.

Schout Anth: D'Milt, pltf. v/s Ariaen Vincent, deft. Pltf. says, that he found on the 3^d Septemb^r last being Sunday divers persons drinking in defts house, which is contrary to the Placard of the 28th August last: he concludes, therefore, that the deft. ought to be condemned according to Placard in a fine of fl. 25. with costs. Burgomasters and Schepens having heard the defts excuse, condemn him in a fine of fl. 25. according to said Placard, with costs.

Schout A. de M., pltf. v/s Otto Gerritsen, deft. Deft. in default.

Schout A. de Milt, pltf. v/s Jan Dirksen Meyer, deft. Pltf. says, that going guaging on the 15 Sept^r last he found the deft. acting as tapster without a licence and concludes therefore, that according to the Placard of the 28th August past he ought to be condemned in a fine of fl. 25. with costs. The W. Court having heard the defts. excuse condemn him in a fine of fl. 13: 10. seawant with costs.

Schout A. de Milt, pltf. v/s Anderies Meyer, deft. Pltf. complains, that going out guaging he found the deft. as tapster, but without a licence; therefore he concludes that the deft. ought to be condemned according to placard in a fine of fl. 25. with costs. The W. Court having heard defts excuse, condemn him in a fine of fl. 13. 10. with costs.

Schout A. d'Mill, pltf. v/s Jan Hend^t van Gunst, deft. Pltf. says, that on last Friday being the 29th 7ber the deft. on the highway before his house struck a soldier named Louwerens Grontsalis severely in his face with a bolt, so that it came thro' and thro' the lips and bloodily

wounded him; as more fully appears by divers declarations—the pltf. therefore concludes that the deft. ought to be condemned according to Placard in a fine of fl. 300. with costs, over and above the smart and surgeons fees. The W. Court having heard the deft's excuse and examined the declarations, condemn him in a fine of One hundred guilders with costs, besides the smart and surgeon's fee of the patient.

The Hon^{ble} Governo^r Anthony Colve recommends to the Court to consider, what ought to be allowed to Pieter Loursen for piloting divers ships. The W. Court allows as follows:—

For piloting out of the sugar prize.....	fl. 16.
For the States ship Groenewyk, Capt Boes.....	40.
For the States ship North Holland.....	40.
For piloting the sloop Planter to Fort Nassau.....	16.
In All.....	fl. 112

Jonas Bartelsen, arrestant and pltf. v/s Marry Dennis, arrested and deft. Pltf. says he attached a tub of butter at the house of Otto Gerritsen etc. The W. Court declares the attachment valid until the next Court day, and the Court Messenger is ordered to notify Otto Gerritsen thereof.

On Jan Burd's petition is apostilled:—That in Case his master does not come to prosecute his action against him, before the next Court day, he shall then be discharged.

On Theunis Craey's petition is apostilled:—Petitioner is granted the measuring of apples, onions and turnips, whereof he shall be granted a certificate in form on the first opportunity.

On Assur Levy's petition setting forth in substance, that Claes Dietloffsen, Weigher of this City, has offered him divers affronts; and requesting that he may be granted the same privileges and freedoms as are allowed to the other inhabitants of this place and that the abovenamed Dietloft may be forbidden to molest him hereafter; It is apostilled: The W. Court shall cause the abovenamed Claes Dietlofs to be summoned by the next Court day, when order shall be given, that a third affront shall not be hereafter offered to him, the petitioner.

On Jan van Buytenhuysen's complaint it is ordered—that the late Sherrif Allard Anthony shall render a/c to the present Schout of Benjamin Johns sold goods; also to hand over to the same the remaining effects

of said Benjamin Johns; and the said Schout is hereby authorized to take the said goods, to sell them on the first opportunity and to report his proceedings to the Court.

This date 6th Octob^r 1673. Alexander Wats has with consent of the Burgomaster Johannes Van Brugh, become security as principal for Ritchard Elliot for two barrels of molasses, which the abovenamed Elliot claims to belong to him in Edward Smith's house, and the said Elliot has thereupon taken the said 2 barrels of molasses with him, according to the order of the W. Heeren Burgomasters and Schepens in date 3^d instant.

At a Court of the W. Heeren Burgomasters and Schepens of this City, holden at the City Hall on the 17 8ber A^o 1673. Present Anthony D Mill, Scout; Johannis de Pyster, Ægiedius Luyck, Johannis Van Brugh, Burgomasters; Willem Beeckman, Jeronimus Ebbingh, Jacob Kip, Lour. V. der Spiegel, Guiliam Verplanck, Schepens.

Dirck van Clyff, pltf. v/s Allerd Anthony, deft. Pltf. hands in a written demand. Deft. demands copy to answer at the next day. The W. Court orders, that copy of the pltf's demand be furnished deft. to answer at the next Court day.

William Mertt (sic), P^t v/s Pieter Smith, def^t The Court have thought fit to appoinde en authorize M^r Thomas Gibs en thomas taylor for to examin en vieww the account en other papers and heer the debatt en allegations of both p'ties and if possible to Compose the difference betweene them and tho make a true returne there off att the next Court day.

In the case in question between thomas Taylor, pltf. v/s Susannah Garlandt, deft., the W. Heeren Burgomasters and Schepens have appointed as arbitrators Sieur Jacob Lyslaer and Sieur Dirck van Cleef who are hereby authorized and requested to examine the a/cs and papers produced, to hear the debates on both sides, and if possible to reconcile parties and to report their award to the Court.

Else Manning, P^t ag'st D^r Henry Taylor, Def^t The P^t complains that the Def^t hath assailed en battered hur in the fease, and that the def^t is Indebted unto the P^t for serviece done to the def^t en his Wyfe the sume of fl. 80. humbly craeving Judgement for the saeme. The def^t replied that this P^t wth slunderingh wordts hath abused his Wyfe Confessingh further that in hast times hee hath Struck this p^t one blow, butt

that hee was sorry for wath hee hath done, and as for the debt of fl. 80. sayed that hee hath divers times proverred this P^t hur pay in such goodts as he adt etc. Uppon Hearingh of the debats of both parties the Worpⁿ Court ordered the def^t to pay unto the P^t the said sume of fl. 80 guyldres with cost of Court.

The Schoudt A. D. Mill, pltf. v/s D^r Henry Taylor, deft. Pltf. complains, that the deft., early in the morning on the 13 8ber last outside the Waterport in the Smith Valley struck his late maid on the head so that the blood ran out her nose, and she lay blind the whole 24 hours; he concludes therefore, that the deft. ought to be condemned in a fine of fl. 100. above the smart and surgeons fee, with costs. Deft. admits, 'twas done in haste, but that he gave her only one blow. Burgomasters and Schepens having heard the debates of parties and seen the declaration of the Surgeon Hartman Wessels, condemns the deft. in a fine of fl. 25, with costs, in addition to the smart and surgeons bill.

Schoudt Anth. D. Mill, pltf. v/s Abell Hardenbroeck, deft. The Schout complains, that the deft. Hardenbroeck had shoved him on the breast and abused him with very foul and unseemly language, wishing that the D——l should break his neck, when on the 3rd 8ber last, the pltf. repaired by order of the Burgomasters and Schepens to defts. house, to warn his wife, that she should not go again to the house of Burgomast^r Johannis de Pyster, as she now had twice done to make trouble there. Also he had obstinately refused to obey the order of the Burgomasters and Schepens, as well to the Court Messenger Henry Newton, the Burgomast^r Luyck and Schepen Willem Beeckman, as to him, pltf., and that the said delinquant being in the evening a prisoner at the City hall in the chamber of Pieter Schaefbanck, carried on and made a racket like a man possessed and mad, notwithstanding the efforts of Burgomaster Johannis Van Brugh, running up to the Court-room, and going away next morning, as if he had not been imprisoned, having made use of other more injurious and foul words and acts; as appears by divers declarations and other proofs thereof produced; all which ought in no manner be tolerated in a well regulated Burghery, being directly contrary to the customs and provisions of the laws: he concludes and demands accordingly, that the delinquant, as one unworthy to live in a well regulated Burghery having triply violated the laws and ordinances of Amsterdam,

be subjected to like punishment, at least be banished for ever from the jurisdiction of this City or be otherwise punished according to the circumstances of the case and remain in prison until he shall have satisfied the judgment with costs. The deft. denies the occurrence of many things according to the abovementioned complaint. Burgomasters and Schepens having heard the delinquent's excuse and the arguments between parties and examined the evidence produced, condemn the delinquent in a fine or penalty of fl. 25. beavers, and that he shall go to jail, until he shall have paid the above fine; further, that the delinquent for the assault shall beg pardon of the Court, God and justice and pay the costs incurred herein.

Schout A. D'Mill, pltf. v/s Annettie, wife of Abel Hardenbroek, deft. Pltf. sues according to written demand founded on declarations of divers persons. Deft. demands, that the deponents may be brought before the W. Court to confirm their declarations on oath in her, the deft's, presence. The W. Court grants the deft's request and order that the deponents shall be summoned for the next Court day.

Schout A. D'Mill, pltf. v/s Otto Gerritsen, deft. Pltf. says, that making his visits on Sunday the 3^d 7ber last, he found 3 persons at defts. house; also going guaging on the 15th d^o he found him the deft. tapping without licence and thereupon entered a fine against him; he concludes accordingly that the deft. be condemned according to Placard of the 28th August for a double offence in a fine of fl. 50. with costs. Deft. denies having tapped any drink for said persons on that Sunday and says further, that he took out a licence on the same day he was warned by the pltf.; also that his wife had been, before that time twice with Secretary Bayard to take out a licence. Burgomasters and Schepens having heard the arguments between parties, condemn the deft. in a fine or penalty of fl. 25, unless the deft. proves, that his wife had been before the abovementioned time at Secretary Bayard's house for a licence.

Schout A. d'Mill, pltf. v/s James Mattheus and his wife, deft. Pltf. says, that Capt. Ipestyn had found at defts. house some silver ware, which had been smuggled by some sailors from Abram Verplanck's house. Deft. denies, that she of her knowledge had taken any of the aforesaid silver ware into her house and that she in presence of Capt. Eypestyn had unexpectedly found it under the p—ss p—t, where it was

put by one of the seamen without her knowledge. Burgomasters and Schepens having heard the debates between parties and the defts. excuse and having seen the declaration, order the pltf. to produce clearer evidence of what he brings in; otherwise that his suit shall be dismissed.

Marya Tellers, executrix of her deceased husband, the late Paulus Schrick, arrestant and pltf., v/s Capt. Jan Jacob or his estate and effects, arrested and deft. Pltf. demands from the deft. according to two obligations the sum of fl. 844. in beavers and the sum of fl. 962. in tobacco, declaring to have attached two of the defts. lots lying in the Broad Way about the lot heretofore belonging to Pieter Schaefbank, also certain of defts. effects in Johannis van der Meulen's hands, proceeding from a certain amount of funds given by Capt. Jacob to van der Meulen according to said vander Meulen's hand writing and return also exhibited in Court; which said Van der Meulen's effects the pltf. has attached in the hands of the curators of dec^d Jan Steelman alias Coopall, requesting that the attachment be declared valid. Burgomasters and Schepens declare the attachment valid; further that inquiry be made, if any curators have been appointed heretofore over said Captain Jacob's estate.

Jacob D'Haert, pltf. v/s Pieter Jansen van Werckendam, deft. The W. Court refers the matter to Simon Jansen Romyn and to Poulus Rithard to hear the arguments of parties, to inspect the a/cs and to report their award.

Gerritt Huygen, pltf. v/s Manuell Sanders, negro, deft. Pltf. demands from the deft. fl. 26½ skepels of wheat, being yearly salary of his dec^d predecessor * Hammen Wesselsen as surgeon. Deft. admits the debt. The W. Court condemns the deft. to pay the said debt of 26½ skepels of wheat, with costs.

The late Sherif Allerd Anthony entering, requests that he might arrest one M^r Coe dwelling at Jamaica on his first coming here, for a debt, which he, Coe, owes to Andrew Messenger. The W. Court permit him so to do.

Allerd Anthony appearing in Court requests to be exempt from excise by reason, that he took boarders, who are exempt from excise. The W. Burgomasters and Schepens having considered that the above-

* Pltf. had married Wesselsen's widow.

mentioned are officers of the fort and therefore exempt from excise, the same is therefore allowed and granted to the petitioner.

Ariaen van Laer, pltf. v/s Thomas Willett, deft. Pltf. in default.

Assur Levy, pltf. v/s Edward Smith, deft. Postponed until the next Court day to see, if the deft. shall, in the meantime come from the North.

Thomas Williams, pltf. v/s Edward Smith, deft. Postponed as above.

Thomas Gibs, pltf. v/s Edward Smith, deft. Postponed as above.

Hendrick Obee, pltf. v/s Christoffel Amey, deft. Both in default.

Jan Hendrick van Gunst, pltf. v/s Robbert Hallis, deft. Parties agreed.

Jonas Bartelse, arrestant and pltf. v/s Mary Dennis, arrested and deft. Defts. 2^d default. The pltf's attachment on the deft's tub of butter at the house of Otto Gerritz declared valid.

Anna Hall, pltf. v/s Thomas Taylor, deft. Pltf. in default.

Jacob Smith, arrested and pltf. v/s Jan Louwerens, arrested and deft. Both in default.

Ferdienandus Van Sichelen, pltf. /s Jan Schackelly, deft. Deft. in default.

Thomas Gibs, pltf. v/s Arendt Isacksen, deft. Deft. in default.

Jan Hend: van Gunst, pltf. v/s Evert and his wife, deft. Parties agreed.

Carsten Lierssen, pltf. v/s Sigismundus Luycas, deft. Deft. in default.

Thomas Gibs appearing in Court requests, that he may, according to notice remove his goods from Edward Smith's house. Whereupon the W. Court allows him to remove his goods on security, as was allowed him in the previous order of the 3^d Octob^r

This date is published from the City Hall, by order of the Hon^{ble} Governo^r and Council and Burgomasters of this City, the Placard regarding the demolishing and removal of divers houses, gardens and orchards lying right under the fortifications of the Fortress Willem Hendrick and the Fort of this City N. Orange, which reads as follows :—

WHEREAS the Fortress Willem Hendrick and City N. Orange, situate on the Island Manhatan is much incumbered and obstructed by the houses, gardens and orchards, which lie so close under its walls and bulwarks,

that it is impossible when requisite properly to defend it against its enemies, unless some at least of said houses, gardens and orchards be demolished or removed; THEREFORE the Hon^{ble} Governo^r General with the previous advice of his Council has judged it necessary to demolish, break up and remove the undermentioned houses gardens and orchards; And the owners thereof are hereby strictly ordered and charged forthwith to commence the demolition, throwing down and removal of their houses, gardens and orchards to such lots, as the Governo^r has laid out for this purpose within this City and the Burgomasters shall indicate to each of them, under the penalty that all those, who shall refuse or be found negligent therein shall *de facto* be excluded from the indemnity, which according to the tenor of this publication is granted and allowed to the following persons or those of them, who shall remove their undermentioned houses, gardens and orchards, and that moreover their said houses shall be demolished and burnt on the first arrival of some ships: The houses gardens and orchards of Pieter D'Rierner, Lodeu Post, George Cobbett, Jan Dircksen Meyer, Jacobus v : Waeter, Symon Blanck, Andries Meyer, Gerrith Hendricksen, Pieter Jansen Slodt, Gerrit Jansen Roos, Pieter Stoutenburgh, Henry Taylor, The Lutheran Congregation, Willem van Fredenburgh, Pieter Jansen Mesier, Marten Meyer, smith; Augustin Hermans, Lysbet Tyssen, Pieter Harmensen, situate under the fort and bulwarks of the City of New Orange.

The gardens and orchards of Johan V. Brugh, Sarg. Kierstede.

But inasmuch as said houses cannot be removed without great and excessive costs to the owners, to whom in justice indemnity and satisfaction ought to be made, therefore as the said removal is for the benefit and better defence of the public, it is resolved, that the ground and lots of said persons together with the necessary expence, which they shall incur by the removal of their houses shall be estimated by impartial persons and that in place of said lots shall, by similar valuation, be indicated and given to the owners in possession some other lots, whereupon they shall have power to remove their said houses, and what their lots, which they are to lose and the expences of removing their houses shall be found to exceed the same in value those, which shall be indicated to them instead shall be promptly made good, paid and satisfied to them from the extraordinary impost, which for this purpose it is resolved and agreed shall

now or hereafter be paid, until the same indemnity and damage shall be promptly paid and no longer, to wit:—From all beavers and peltries, which after the publication hereof shall be exported from within this Government to *Patria* or elsewhere, two and one half per cent; from duffles and blankets, which shall be imported from *Patria* or elsewhere into this Government, two per cent; and from powder, lead, guns, wines, brandies, distilled waters and rum, five per cent. They hereby order and charge all and every of the subjects and inhabitants of this Government and all others, whom it any ways concerns, that they on the importation or exportation of the above specified goods shall notify the Collector thereof and pay the said extraordinary duties thereupon, under the forfeiture and confiscation of the imported or shipped goods, to be applied conformably to the order and placards enacted against smuggling. Done, Fort Willem Hendrick on the Manhatans in N. Netherland the 17th 8ber 1673.

(Was Signed) Anthony Colve,
Corn. Steenwyck,
Johannis V. Brugh,
Johannis d'Pyser,
Ægiedius Luyck.

Anno 1673. 19th 8^{ber} Thomas Gibbs gave Reynier Willemsen, baker, as security, under the said bailbond to remove, according to order of the W. Burgomast^r and Schepens under date 17th inst., some timber work standing in Thomas Wandel's house occupied lastly by Edward Smith.

Abel Hardenbroeck delivers into Court a petition, in which humbly submitting himself he acknowledges his faults, and most humbly prays, that the Court will please forgive him, with further supplication, that the previous judgement now lately pronounced against him may be so reconsidered as the W. Court may graciously think fit. Whereupon the said petition being weighed, read and taken into serious consideration by the W. Burgomasters and Schepens, the crime committed by him against the Magistrates in the insulting them is pardoned for this time on account of his humble submission, but regarding the money fine imposed on him according to judgment, the W. Court cannot make any alteration therein, it being not so much by half as ought to have been imposed on him for his great crime; but the petitioner is allowed the time of six weeks, on giving sufficient security that, the imposed fine shall be promptly paid within the

aforesaid time, and sufficient security must be given by next Monday at 12 O'Clock or if longer delayed he must again return to jail until the aforesaid fine be paid, or sufficient security be given therefor as aforesaid.

Abell Hardenbroeck represents in the petition presented by him, that his wife had gone to Mr. Pyster's wife, acknowledged her fault and that, she was heartily sorry for having committed such action etc. Whereupon the said wife appearing again admits her committed faults, and that she had acted very ill; humbly requesting the W. Court to be pleased to forgive her, submitting the matter further to their Worships. Whereupon the matter being taken by them into serious consideration, also the demand of the Schout instituted against the said woman, she was by their Worships forgiven her abuse against the W. Burgomasters and Schepens on account of her humble submission, provided she henceforth have a care over herself not to commit the like any more. Regarding the Schouts demand, it is ordered that the said woman shall pay and disburse to him the abovenamed sum of fl. 75. zewant value and pay the costs incurred herein.

At a Court of the H^r Burgomasters and Schepens of this City held at the City Hall of the City N: Orange the 31st Octob^r A^o 1673. Present Anthony D'Mill, Schout; Johannes v. Brugh, Johannes D. Pyster, Ægiedius Luyck, Burgomast^r; Willem Beeckman, Jeronimus Ebbingh, Jacob Kip, Lour. V. Spiegell, Guilaine Verplanck, Schepens.

Dirck van Clyff, pltf. v/s Allerd Anthony, deft. Whereas the pltf. offers to confirm on oath, that he received the assignment on Capt. Man only conditionally, and that the deft. offers in like manner to confirm on oath, that the pltf. in presence of Capt. Nicols had thanked him for good payment. Therefore the W. Court order the deft. to endeavour to obtain a declaration herein from Capt. Nicols and grant him thereunto six weeks' time.

William Merett, pltf. v/s Pieter Smith, deft. The deft. in default. The previously appointed arbitrators deliver into Court their written report, whereupon the case is postponed until the next Court day.

Joohn Cooly, pltf. v/s Thomas Lovelas, deft. The W. Court orders the deft. to render a/c to the Court within 14 days time of the administration of the monies, contributed to the fortification and it is decided,

that the deft's private estate is not responsible therefor, unless it be found indebted thereunto.

Thomas Taylor, pltf. v/s Susanna Gaerland, deft. Parties ordered to lift the act of renvoy executed on the last Court day.

Juffrouw Maria Tellers, pltf. v/s The estate of the late Jan Jacobsen, deft. Resolved to appoint curators to the said estate.

Jonas Bartelse, arrestant and pltf. v/s Mary Dennes, arrested and deft. The difference between parties being for butter, which the pltf. says he bought from the deft. and is not delivered, it is ordered, that the pltf. shall prove within 24 hours, that he absolutely bought the butter or otherwise the attachment shall be discharged, inasmuch as the pltf. had already had the tub of butter for the debt in his house.

Thomas Cormish with his guardian Caleb Levereth, pltf. v/s Thomas Taylor, deft. Pltf. demands in writing to be discharged from his service with restitution of fl. 10. Deft. says, he is willing to let the boy go, as he is dressed. The W. Court decrees and orders, that the boy shall be released from his service, that his indenture shall be given up to him, together with the clothes belonging to him and his guardian is authorized to place the said boy where he pleases, as both parties are consenting thereunto.

Hendrick Gillissen, pltf. v/s Allard Anthony, deft. Pltf. demands the payment heretofore received by the deft. from Abell Hardenbroeck to the sum of fl. 339. principal, besides the costs. Deft. admits having received the payment as Sheriff, but says he again returned it to Abel Hardenbroeck before the surrender of this place. The W. Court orders the deft. to take care, that he get the payment back again and deliver it to the pltf.

Pieter Pietersen van Nesten, pltf. v/s Jacob Lyslaer, deft. Pltf. is ordered to produce in Court at the next sitting, what has been done herein by the preceding Mayors Court.

ferdinand: van Sickelen, pltf. v/s John Shackerly, deft. In the matter in question between Ferdienand van Sichelen, pltf. v/s J^{ro} Schackerly, deft., the Burgomasters and Schepens have nominated as arbitrators and authorized M^r Gabriell Minviele and François Rombouts, who are hereby requested to reconcile parties or otherwise to report to the Court.

Robbert Corke, pltf. v/s Henry Taylor, deft. Pltf. demands fl. 196. for monthly wages earned in his boat. Deft. admits owing fl. 108., but as he left his boat without consent, whereupon the rope of the boat was stolen, he therefore maintains he does not owe. Pltf. says, the defts. wife had given orders to leave the boat at his bouwery, which Taylor is ignorant of. Referred to Thomas Williams and W^m Merritt.

Hartman Wessels, pltf. v/s Henry Taylor, deft. The pltf. demands fl. 40. for curing his maid and for her board and drink. Condemned to pay fl. 25 and costs.

George Cooke, pltf. v/s William Raemer, deft. Pltf. in default.

Albert Hymans, pltf. v/s The curators of Balthazar de Haert, deft. Referred to Jaecob Lyslaer, Dirck van Clyff in the presence of G. Verplanck.

Hendrick Obee, pltf. v/s Christopher Amey, deft., and Louwrens Gontsalis, deft. Pltf. demands restitution of a canoe loaned to him. Deft. denies having borrowed a canoe. Lourens Gontsalis says, he borrowed the canoe to go on board the H^t Benckes, whence Albert Bos took the canoe and went away. Albert Bos admits having left the ship in the canoe and having made it fast again to the place he took it from. It is decided, that Christopher Amey has not borrowed the canoe, therefore the pltfs. demand is dismissed and Lourens is condemned on his confession.

Lourens Gontsalis, pltf. v/s Albert Bos, deft. Pltf. says, that the deft. took away a canoe without his consent from the H^t Evertse's ship and sailed away, which canoe was afterwards lost. Deft. admits, he went ashore in the canoe and says he made it fast to the place, from which it was taken. The Court having listened to the statements of both parties, orders, that deft. must return the canoe or pay for it.

Hendrick Gillisen, pltf. v/s Allard Anthony, deft. Pltf. demands payment from the deft. of 339 fl. principal received from Abell Hardenbrock without costs. Deft. admits having received the payment as Sheriff, which he returned to Abell Hardenbroeck before the surrender of the place. Deft. is condemned to take care, that the pay be got back and handed over to the pltf.

Allerd Anthony, pltf. v/s Abell Hardenbroeck, deft. Pltf. demands payment and satisfaction of the judgment obtained against him by Hendk

Jillisen, which payment he had already handed to the pltf., but returned on the surrender of the place. Deft. is condemned to pay pltf. forthwith the said judgment.

Claes Dietlofs, pltf. v/s John Backer, deft. Deft. in default. Pieter Pietersen, pltf. v/s Jacob Lyslaer, deft. Pltf. demands 2000 lbs of tobacco for freight of 25 hogsheads tobacco from Virginia according to charter party. Deft. replies, the pltf. must prove, he is indebted to him for freight. Pltf. is to produce on the next Court day what previous Court has done.

Dirck van Clyff appearing exhibits a mortgage on Moesman's house, sold to Marten Hofman and demands by virtue of this mortgage to take the said house.

N. B. Nothing is done in this case.

At a Court of the W. Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens holden in the City Hall on the 2nd 9^{ber} 1672 (?). Present Anthony de Mill, Schout; Johannis van Brugh, Johannis de Pyster, Burgomasters; Willem Beeckman, Jeronimus Ebbingh, Jacob Kip, Lourens V. Spiegel, Guiliam Verplanck, Schepens.

Anthony de Mill in quality as Schout of this City, pltf. v/s William Coocke, prisoner and deft. Pltf. says, that the prisoner on the 23^d 8^{ber} last treated the Presiding Burgomaster Johannis van Brugh very ill in presence of Schepens J. Ebbingh and Gelyn Verplanck and refused with very bad language to obey his command, etc. He therefore demands, that the prisoner ought to be condemned to show due repentance therefor and be fined fl. 50. with costs. Having considered and read the petition of the prisoner setting forth in substance, that he was heartily sorry for what had passed and requesting, that the W. Court would please forgive him for this time, the rather as it happened through hastiness and ignorance; Whereupon the prisoner being come into Court again verbally admits what he had before stated in writing. The W. Court having seen the prisoner's confession discharge him from his imprisonment and condemn him in a fine or penalty of fl. 30. with costs.

At a Court of the W. Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens of the City N: Orange, holden at the City Hall, on the 7th Nov^{ber} 1673. Present

Anthony De Mill, Schout; Johannis van Brugh, Johannes de Pyster, Ægiedius Luyck, Burgomasters; Willem Beeckman, Jeronimus Ebbingh, Jacob Kip, Lourens v. Spiegell, Guiliam Verplanck, Schepens.

In the matter in question between Jacob de Haert and Carsten Liersen their W. have appointed as arbitrators Sieur Daeniell Hondecoetri and Reynier Willemsen, who are hereby required and requested to look into the above question and if possible to reconcile parties and to report their award to the Court.

G. Minviele by his atty Joh: Coderrie, arrestant and pltf. v/s W^m Schackerly, deft. Pltf. demands from the deft. a negro boy according to agreement with fl. 69. 10. and 855 lbs. of Muscovado sugar according to obligation. Deft. admits the debt; but has no opportunity to ship it hither in consequence of this change of government. The W. Court having heard the arguments on both sides and having examined the obligation and contract, decree and order, that in case no ship were permitted to come hither from Barbadoes within 12 months, the sale of the negro shall be annulled provided the deft. shall pay the pltf. the debt to the sum of fl. 717. 10 zewant and 835 lbs. Muscovado deducting the freight and other expences, according to obligation; also that the deft. shall enter sufficient security therefor and pay the costs herein incurred.

10th Nov: A^o 1673. On petition of Arent Evertsen Keteltas, he is appointed Corn Measurer of this City.

At a Court of the W. Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens, holden at the City Hall N. Orange, on the 14th 9th A^o 1673. Present Johannes Van Brugh, Johannes De Pyster, Ægiedius Luyck, Burgomasters; Jeronimus Ebbingh, Jaacob Kip, Lour. V. Spiegell, Guilyn Verplanck, Schepens.

Pieter Pietersen, pltf. v/s Jaacob Leyslaer, deft. Deft. default.

Oloff Stevensen van Cortlandt, arrestant and pltf., v/s Egbert Myndertsen, arrested and deft. The attachment declared valid.

Claes Dietlofsen, pltf. v/s Capt John Backer, deft. Jan Smedes and Jan Myndersen, carters, declare that about nine years ago, shortly after the surrender of the place, they rode 300 p's of firewood out of the bush for Claes Dietlofsen and afterwards brought the same fire wood to Capt. Backer's house within this City and the bill for carting has not yet

been paid them by said Backer as they are prepared to declare on oath. Capt^a Backer resided in Broadway in the house now occupied by Willem van der Scheure.

Abell Hardenbroeck, pltf. v/s Hendrick Gillissen, deft. The W. Court having seen the pltf's. demand and the case, orders the pltf. to appeal to the Hon^{ble} Governo^r and Council, if he consider himself wronged by the previous judgment of the Mayors Court, inasmuch as it does not belong to this W. Court to annul said judgment.

Jacob Haert, pltf. v/s Pieter Jansen Werckendam, deft. The previously appointed arbitrators deliver this date their report, that they could not reconcile parties. The W. Court thereupon heard *de Novo* the arguments on both sides, and also having examined the defts. books and demand and a/cs.; they decree and order, that what deft. bring in as per their books shall be allowed, and condemn the deft. to pay to the pltf. the remaining sum of fl. 205: 5. On the petition of Margriet Gillis, apostilled:—The petitioner is deferred until Gab. Minvielle, atty of Capt. Nicols, shall be returned from the North.

The petition of Johannis Vervelen is postponed, until Gabriel come home.

Cornelis D'Visser is ordered to draw out his a/c in full and to hand it to the Governor, who on examining the same can do as he pleases, as the W. Court cannot act therein without orders.

On the petition of Hend^t Martensen apostilled: Petitioner is referred to the Court at Staten Island to demand justice there from them, or otherwise to act as he thinks proper; as this Court has no connection with that of Staten Island.

On the complaint of the Schout, that Otto Gerritsen has not as yet proved his assertion, that he was divers times at Secretary Bayard's house for a licence, conformably to the order of the Court dated 17th 8^{mo} last, notwithstanding he was notified divers times so to do by the Court Messenger:—Burgomasters and Schepens order, that the said Otto Gerritsen shall so prove before the next Court day or otherwise promptly pay the imposed fine according to previous sentence.

This day the following instruction was also drawn up and confirmed by the W. Court for the Under Scout and Schepens as well as for the Overseers of the outside people beyond the Fresh Water.

INSTRUCTION FOR THE OVERSEERS OF FENCES AND HIGHWAYS BETWEEN
HAERLEM AND THE FRESHWATER.

Firstly:—The said Overseers shall on the first opportunity in a body inspect all fences and roads between the Fresh Water and N. Haerlem; on finding any in bad order they shall direct whomsoever it concerns to repair the same within such time as the said Overseers shall think proper.

2ndly. Whosoever neglects to repair his fence within the time fixed by the Overseers and permits it to remain out of repair, until he shall be warned for the second time by the Overseers or their Messenger, shall forfeit 25 gl. for the first time, and pay in addition all damages which may occur thereby; fl. 50 for the second time, with the damage incurred and for the third time fl. 100, together with all damage done to the grain or crops.

3rdly. Whoever fails on the summons of the Overseers to be himself or to send a proper substitute, to such place as shall be designated to him to aid in repairing a highway or to make a new road, shall forfeit for each day six guilders to be applied for those, who may appear then, in which the carters of this City are not included, with this understanding, however, that when the W. Burgomasters and Schepens shall consider their assistance necessary, they shall then be obliged [to assist] on the aforesaid penalty.

4thly. Any one maintaining or thinking his neighbour's fences not to be good or sufficient and dreading damage thereby shall first request his neighbour in love and friendship to repair his fence, but he not so doing he may apply to the Overseers, who shall be bound as soon as possible to inspect the same, and finding the complaint to be founded, the person complained of shall pay the Overseers for the journey and inspection ten guilders, and if he does not repair his fence on their order he shall pay an additional fine as abovestated in the 2nd head; but if the complaint be unfounded the complainant shall himself pay 10 gl. to the Overseers for the journey.

5thly. Where divers lands lie within one fence, the Overseers shall mark his share out to each one, that he is bound to keep in order according to his number of morgens and whoever fails to keep his portion in order shall be proceeded against therein as hereinbefore is stated under the 4th head.

6thly. No one shall pasture cattle on the lands and valleys lying in common except by common consent, when all the crops shall have been removed; but if he will use a part for pasture he shall then fence it in at his own expence.

7thly. Whosoever fails to pay his fine on the first, second, third notice in the name of the Overseers, shall be proceeded against by the Under Sheriff, on the Overseers' complaint against the unwilling persons, by immediate execution.

8thly. In order that the housekeepers and farmers may be acquainted herewith, the Overseers shall call them together at least once a year and read these rules for their information.

9thly. The said Overseers shall promise and swear to do justice between parties, without regard or respect of persons, touching the differences, which shall have been brought before them regarding roads and fences, and that without any favour or partiality.

10thly. The Overseers having served one year, two of them shall retire, and from a double number shall, in place of the retiring, two others be chosen in their place and so on annually, to the end that good attention be paid to agriculture.

11thly. If any one shews indisposition to the order of the Overseers and comes before the Court and the case be found correct, double the fine fixed shall be paid. Thus done at the Court of the W. Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens in the City Hall of the City New Orange, on the 14th 9b^r A^o Domini 1673.

NOTICE.

First. Whereas the Under Schout and Schepens have according to their instruction caused a suitable pound to be erected, Therefore all whom it may concern are warned to make and keep their fences close and tight, as from henceforth all cattle, found in any tillage or pasture land, shall have to pay the penalty here following; which fine, when the fence is sufficient for the land, in which such animal or animals may be found, shall be paid by the owner or lessee of the cattle; but if on inspection of the Overseers the fence be found bad the fine must be paid by the owner of the fence together with the damage the animal or animals may have committed.

2ndly. Whoever finds any animal or animals in his tillage or

pasture may immediately drive them to the pound and deliver them to the Pound Keeper to lock them up; from which pound they shall not be released until

3rdly. The following fines shall have been paid together with the damage in manner as follows:—

For 1 horse..... fl. 2:10

For 1 ox or cow..... 1.10

For 1 hog above four months..... 1.

For 1 sheep or goat..... .12

4thly. Those found on the land before sunrise or after sunsett shall pay double fine.

5thly. If any one attempts to prevent the conveyance of any cattle to the pound, he shall pay for the first offence fl. 25. and for the 2nd offence twice as much.

6thly. If any animal be left longer than three days in the pound without being released, it shall be foddered at the expence of the owner and if it be not claimed within three months, it shall be sold to the highest bidder for payment of damages and fine and the surplus be applied according to law.

7thly. If any one owns any cattle, which are wont to leap over proper fences, they must be tied up, or removed elsewhere on the notification of the Under Sheriff and Schepens; every one being warned and put on their guard for damages.

INSTRUCTION FOR THE UNDERSCHOUT AND SCHEPENS OF THE SUBURBS
BETWEEN HAERLEM AND THE FRESH WATER.

Firstly, The Under Schout shall preside at all the meetings, but when he acts for himself as a party or on behalf of justice, he shall on such occasions rise and absent himself from the bench and in this case have neither an advisory, much less a casting vote, but the oldest Schepen shall preside in his place.

2ndly. The Under Schout and Schepens are authorized to pronounce definitive judgment, without appeal, in suits for debt between man and man, etc. arising within their district to the amount of fl. 100 zewant currency; also in minor criminal cases such as fighting, striking, scolding and such like, but in all cases exceeding said sum of fl. 100. the aggrieved person may appeal to the Worshipful Court here.

3rdly. Whenever any cases come before the Court, in which any of the Schepens are interested as parties, they shall rise and absent themselves from the Bench, as is hereinbefore directed in the first article of the Under Schout.

4thly. All inhabitants within the aforesaid district shall be citable before the said Under Schout and Schepens, who shall hold their Court as often as may be necessary.

5thly. The said Under Schout and Schepens shall be obliged strictly to observe and punctually to execute all such placards and orders, as shall from time to time be directed to them from the Worshipful Court here.

6thly. Whereas we are also informed of the great ravages the wolf commits on the small cattle, therefore to animate and encourage the proprietors, who will go out and shoot the same, we have resolved to authorize the Under Schout and Schepens to give public notice, that whoever shall produce a wolf to them that has been shot on this Island on this side of Haerlem shall be promptly paid therefor by them—For a wolf fl. 20. and for a she-wolf fl. 30. seawant or the value thereof, which said Under Schout and Schepens shall by their Messenger levy off those, who keep cattle, great or small, within their district on said Island, each of whom shall, according to the number of cattle, be bound to contribute and pay thereto, whatever he shall be taxed thereon by the Under Schout and Schepens.

7thly. Whosoever shall fail to pay his fine on the first, second and third notice in the name of the Under Schout and Schepens shall be proceeded against by prompt execution by the Under Schout.

8thly. Whoever shall allow execution to issue must pay, in addition five stivers on each guilder, which he owes for the behoof of the Under Schout, for the trouble of execution.

9thly. Whereas 'tis necessary, that the pound be properly kept, the Under Schout and Schepens are therefore authorized and ordered to attend, that the same be maintained conjointly by those, who have lands there; and further make such orders regarding the impounding of cattle, as they shall find for the advantage of agriculture, which orders each and every one are directed promptly to obey, as if they were made by ourselves.

10thly. Said Under Sheriffs and Schepens shall take good heed to administer strict justice in the suits brought before them, according to the best of their knowledge, without distinction or respect of persons or any partiality—and further the Under Schout shall as much as possible prevent and check all disputes and quarrels, that may arise within his district.

11thly. The Under Schout and Schepens shall as often as they deem necessary, give public notice, that any persons, who causes or allows trees to fall in a common wagon road shall again remove the same, branches and all, from the road before the going down of the sun after the tree has fallen, and make the road passable, or in default thereof and in case a fine be imposed therefor by the Under Schout or his order, he shall pay for each tree found across the highway a fine of fl. 20. to be applied one half for the Under Schout and the other half for the informer; and the person fined shall notwithstanding be bound to remove the tree instantly from the road.

12thly. If any one shows any indisposition towards the order of the Under Sheriff and Schepens and it comes before the Court here, he shall pay double the fine fixed if the complaint is found to be well grounded.

13thly. The choice of all inferior officers, the Secretary alone excepted, shall be henceforward made by the said Under Schout and Schepens and they shall be confirmed in their respective offices after having been approved by the W. Court here.

14thly. If any thing further be necessary for agriculture or should there be any obscurity, omission or want of clearness in these instructions, the Under Schout and Schepens shall, on occasion, communicate the fact to the Bench.

And finally said Under Schout and Schepens shall 14 days before the expiration of the year apply to the W. Court here to receive its order regarding the new nomination of the Under Sheriff and Schepens. Thus done in the City Hall of this City, at the Court of Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens.

Pursuant to the order of the Commander and Hon. Council of War Thomas Williams appeared this day in the Court of the Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens of this City to prove before it, that the half of the vessel at present building at Haerlem in company with Thomas de Laval

belongs to him; the said Burgomasters and Schepens therefore demand of him sufficient proof thereof—Whereupon the abovenamed Williams produces authentic copy of a contract entered into by him and Lavall with the ship carpenter Saemuel Pell, for building said vessel together with his a/c with said Delavall of what he had disbursed in the building, saying farther, that in addition to said a/c he had passed an obligation of 13 ankers of rum to Elias Puddington, one of the ship carpenters; declares he is ready to verify his a/c on oath being thereunto requested. Whereupon the W. Court refer him back to the Governor.

William Merritt, pltf. v/s Pieter Smith, deft. The question between parties arises regarding an assignment, which deft. gave to pltfs. wife on Capt. Manning for the sum of fl. 134, which assignment the aforesaid Manning has not paid etc. The W. Court having heard the arguments of parties on both sides and having taken the case into serious consideration, decree and order, that the deft. shall again disburse and pay to the pltf. the abovementioned sum of fl. 134: the more so as the pltfs. wife offers to verify by oath, that she had accepted the obligation only conditionally and that the deft. may again seek his guarantee on Capt. Manning's estate.

In the matter in question between W^m White, pltf., v/s Otto Gerrits, deft., the W. Court nominated and authorized as arbitrators Pieter Jacobsen Marius and Reynier Willemsen, baker, who are hereby requested again to examine the a/c and papers, to hear the debates on both sides and if possible to reconcile them; if not to report to the Court.

Adriaen Cornelissen, pltf. v/s Juffrouw Webber, deft. Pltf. says, he leased a certain piece of land at Corlaer's hook to deft's late husband for the term of four years, three year's rent of which @ 15 skepels of wheat per annum is paid; he demands payment of the last year. Deft. says, he paid for three years and asserts there is no more due; she demands, that the pltf. shall prove his assertion. The W. Court having heard the arguments on both sides, also having seen the declaration of Jan Vinge and of defts. son, Arnoudt Webber, condemn the deft. in like manner to disburse and pay to the pltf. the last or fourth year's rent with costs.

In the case in question between Cornelius Clopper and Reynier Willemsen the W. Burgomasters and Schepens have nominated and authorized

as arbitrators Sieur Coenraedt ten Eyck and Boele Roeloffs, who are hereby requested to hear the debates of parties and if possible to reconcile them and to report to the Court their award and arbitration.

Whereas divers complaints have been made from time to time to the W. Burgomasters and Schepens, that the late Sheriff Allerd Anthony has given incorrect a/c of the goods of Benjⁿ Johns according to the order of the last Mayors Court of 11th Feb. last, and has not paid the debts according to said order, the W. Burgomasters and Schepens above-named resolved to order said ex-Sheriff, to render within the time of thrice 24 hours to the Schout of this City a general account of the entire estate of said Benjamin Johns, which he had in his hands and how he has disposed thereof.

On petition of Lansman requesting in substance, that his wife may be ordered to live again with him or else that they be divorced etc. Apostilled:—Petitioner is notified to conduct himself in future and henceforward so civilly, peaceably and friendly towards his wife, that by his good behaviour his wife may be induced to dwell again with him, as she ought.

Dirck van Clyff, pltf. v/s Allard Anthony, deft. Both in default.

John Cooly, pltf. v/s Thomas Lovelace, deft. Both in default.

Thomas Thaylor, pltf. v/s Susanna Gaerlant, deft. Both in default.

Ferdienandus Van Sich:, pltf. v/s John Sakerly, deft. Parties agreed.

Albert Heymans, pltf. v/s The curators of the late Barlus de H., deft. Both in default.

Jaacob Thunissen Quick, pltf. v/s John Cooly, deft. Deft. in default.

Henry Nuton, pltf. v/s John Cooly, deft. Deft. in default.

Philip Johns, pltf. v/s Dirck Smith, deft. Both in default.

At a Court holden at the City Hall of the City N. Orange 28th Novemb^r 1673. Present Anthony de Mill, Schout; Johannes van Brugh, Johannes de Peyster, Ægiedius Luyck, Burgomasters; Jeronimus Ebbingh, Jacob Kip, Lourens van der Spiegell, Guilaine Verplanck, Schepens.

Carsten Janse Eggert, pltf. v/s Dirck Claessen Pottebacker, deft.

Pltf. says, he lent defts. wife 3 beavers, of which he only received one back; demands restitution of the other two. Deft. says, he offered the other two also to the pltf., but they were refused by him. The W. Court orders, that the deft. shall return to the pltf. two merchantable beavers approved by Bay Croesvelt, with costs.

Dirck van Clyff, pltf. v/s Allard anthony, deft. Suspended.

Pieter Pietersen, pltf. v/s Jacob Leyslaer, deft. Defts. 2^d default.

Dirck Claesse Pottebacker, pltf. v/s Thomas Taylor, deft. Deft. in default.

Jacob Teunisse Quick, pltf. v/s Jan Cooly Smit, deft. Defts. 2^d default.

Philip Johns, pltf. v/s Dirck Smit, deft. Suspended to the next Court.

Schout A. D. Mill, pltf. v/s Gerrit Huygen, deft. Pltf. says, that the deft. wounded his wife in the leg with a knife, whilst they were disputing. Deft. says it happened thro' accident, but does not deny having been disputing with his wife. Ordered, that the Schout shall prove at the next Court day, that the deft. designedly wounded his wife.

The Schout, pltf. v/s Jan Hendrickse van Gunst, deft. Deft. in default. Henry Nuton, the Court Messenger, reports, that the deft. said to him, Let the Schout do, what he will, I shall not appear.

The Schout, pltf. v/s Dirck Janse van Deventer, deft. Pltf. says, that the deft. on the 30th of Oct. last very shamefully affronted and treated the Lieutenant Carell Quirynzen as appears by the produced complaint of said Lieutenant and M^r Minvielle; he concludes therefore, that the deft. ought to be banished beyond the jurisdiction of this City or be otherwise punished, as he deserves, being a person, who has committed a great offence against the laws of our Fatherland. Deft. says, he did not speak ill, but that if he said any thing it was after he had been first struck by Gab: Minvielle and Lieutenant Quirynsen—and regarding what is stated in the complaint that he the deft. wished to stick a knife in s^d Lieutenants heart, the deft. says, that he had no knife then with him nor ever carries one: he demands therefore, that the complainants by whom he was first struck according to their own acknowledgment, shall as parties prove by disinterested persons their presented accusation; and that he as a free Burgher of this City be indemnified for the blow and other

injuries received by him; also that time be afforded him to bring in his declarations and proofs, as he has been awhile from home and unaware that the case should go on. The W. Court having heard parties and their arguments on both sides, grant the deft. time to bring in his declarations and proofs whereupon he relies.

Schout A: De Mill, pltf. v/s Otto Gerrits, deft. Pltf. says, that the deft. has not yet, pursuant to the order of the last Court day, proved that he was to Secretary Bayard's house to obtain a tapsters licence; requests therefore that the deft. may be condemned, according to said order in such amends as it directs. Burgomasters and Schepens having heard the defts. answer, condemn him to satisfy and pay the pltf. the imposed fine of fl. 25. with costs.

On the Schouts complaint against Adriaen Vincent, that he refuses to comply with the judgment of this W. Court pronounced on the 3^d 8^{ber} notwithstanding it was served on him by the Court Messenger Henry Nuton, the W. Court, having heard the parties *de novo*, orders said Adriaen Vincent promptly to obey and comply with the aforesaid judgment and pay the costs incurred herein.

Ephraim Hermans, the Clerk, demands for Secretary N. Bayard, that a previous judgment of the Mayor's Court obtained against Thom^r Taylor may be declared valid and that the Schout may be ordered to put it in execution. The W. Court grant him his request.

Thomas Carnish assisted by his guardian, appearing in Court complains, that his late master Thom: Taylor again refuses to give him up his indentures according to the judgment of this W. Court dated 31st Octob^r. Whereupon s^d Thomas Taylor being called in refuses openly to give said Tho^m. Carnish his indentures. The W. Court once more hereby strictly orders the said Thom: Taylor promptly to comply with and obey said judgement: and the Schout is hereby ordered and required to see that said judgment be obeyed and fulfilled according to its tenour.

Whereas Ephraim Hermans, atty for his father Augustine Herman, has requested of us by petition, that he may again take possession of the house and part of a lot and orchard, together with a piece of land lying at Corlear's hook, which his said father sold last year to one John Payne at Boston; but as he maintains that, by reason of the demolishing and removing etc, it is much depreciated, so that it is now not near so valuable

as when sold, he requests therefore that before being resumed by virtue of the mortgage, it may be valued by arbitrators, in order that he may have his recourse ag'st said John Payne for the balance. Burgomasters and Schepens have therefore resolved to nominate and authorize thereunto as they do hereby nominate and authorize M^r John Lawrence, M^r Thomas Lewis and M^r Adolph Pietersen, who are hereby required and requested to value said house with said portion of a lot and orchard, together with the land on Corlaers hook, as to what the value thereof is now, to the best of their knowledge, and to report their award to the Court.

Ephraim Herman's attachment on some iron work of John Payne is suspended to the next Court day.

Secretary N. Bayard is hereby requested to examine the a/c., which Allard Anthony delivered in of Benjamin Johns' estate and to give his advice, as to what items ought to be allowed.

This day is also published by order of the Governor the Placard regarding the day of General Fast, Thanksgiving and Prayer to be celebrated and observed within this City and Province on the first Wednesday of each month.

It is also ordered, that copy of said proclamation shall be sent to those beyond the Fresh Water.

On the 29th Novemb^r said proclamation was sent to the people outside of the City limits with the following letter.—

Copy.

Respected Good Friends.

This serves as a cover of the enclosed copy of the Proclamation for a General day of Fasting, Thanksgiving and Prayer, the original of which has been sent to us by the Hon: Governor General and has been published in like manner, and you are to take heed that it be observed according to the tenor thereof, whereunto awaiting etc.

On the 29th Novemb^r 1673: Schout Burgomasters and Schepens being Assembled *collegialiter* at the City Hall:—

The carters of this City being sent for and asked, what they will have deducted from their a/cs for what they owe together with the other Burghers in work at the fortifications of this City, Pieter Wesselsse, Coenrades Van der Beeck, Sigismundus Luykas, Claes Jansen van

Heyningen, Anthony Lepinar submit it to the discretion of the W. Burgomast^r and Schepens. Burgomasters and Schepens therefore decree, that seven guilders per day shall be deducted from each carters a/c on the City book, for horse and cart and that each of them shall henceforth work in company like the other Burghers.

On the complaint *de novo* made to the Court regarding Thomas Taylor's unwillingness—the Officer is ordered to bring Thomas Taylor before the President to communicate again to him the judgement of this W. Court between him and Thonⁱ. Carnish, promptly to prosecute it to the surrender of said Carnish's indenture or in case of refusal to imprison him.

Jan Hendricksen Van Gunst, on his refusing to comply with the judgement between him and the Schout, is ordered the same as Thonⁱ. Taylor.

Whereas there is a difference dependin^gh betweene Ralph Hudsison and John Marsh boatman, Concerning the hire of a boat for N. Enghland and the said p^ties havein^gh bene before the Worpp^l Burgemast^r of this Citty desierin^gh that the Case might be Referred to some Indifferent p^rsons for to Compose the same; Whereuppon the Worpp^l Burgemast^r has tought fit to nominate and appoint M^r John Lauwrence & John Shacklerly for to heare the debates of both partees and Examin into the said difference & if possible to Compose the same or otherw^jse to bringh in their Report Concernin^gh the same at the next Court day.

The 2nd Decemb^r 1673. The Schout Burgomasters and Schepens been met *Collegialiter* at the City Hall to ascertain the reason, why the ship the Surrenam, Capt. Evertse, Commander, has this day departed from this City contrary to the tenour of the apostille granted to their petition presented to the Hon^{ble} Commanders and the Council of War in date of 6th 7^{ber} last; they resolve, to enquire the cause from the Hon^{ble} Governour Anth: Colve, and with this view to send thither the Hon^{ble} Burgomasters Johannes van Brug, Johannes de Peyster and Egidius Luyk, who then executing their commission, obtained after divers discourses with his Hon^r for answer and report, that his Hon^r cannot and will not explain to any person his resolution and intention, but that his Hon^r assured the whole Burghery in their name that with or without that ship aforesaid, he should not undertake nor execute any thing except what his Hon^r should consider serviceable and expedient for the fort, the City and the Burghery.

At a Court holden in the City Hall of the City N. Orange on the 12th Decemb^r: A^o 1673. P^sent Johannes van Brugh, Johannes De Peyster, Ægidius Luyck, Burgomasters; Willem Beeckman, Jeronimus Ebbingh, Jacob Kip, Lourens van der Spiegell, Guilaine Verplanck, Schepens.

Oloff Stevense Cortland, pltf. v/s Eghbert Mynderse, deft. Pltf. demands, that the deft. may be ordered to move out his house and to pay him, the pltf., the sum of fl. 300 for house and fl. 704: 18 for wines, beer etc. delivered. Deft. remaining *contumax* in appearance for the 3^d time, the W. Court orders that the deft. shall remove out of pltf's. house within thrice 24 hours and vacate the same; the deft. was in like manner condemned to satisfy and pay the pltf. the debt.

Pieter Pietersen van Essam, pltf. v/s Jacob Leyselaer, deft. Pltf. demands payment from deft. of the dead freight of 25 hhds of tobacco which he should have brought from Maryland for the deft. and were not shipped according to agreement by the defts. factor, as he refused to ship the tobacco. Deft. says, the pltf. did not duly wait out his time nor protest according to usage and did not fulfill his contract etc. Burgomasters and Schepens having heard the arguments of parties on both sides and seen their proofs, decree and order, that deft. shall pay the pltf. the full freight of 25 hhds of tobacco hither and that deft. shall again seek his recourse and guarantee on his factor Marck Cordea, whom they understand is in fault.

Willem Jansen Werckeloo, pltf. v/s Jacob van Curlar's attorney, deft. Pltf. producing an order of the Court of Sessions held at Gravesend the 19th July A^o 1672, claims thereby preference after O: Stevense on the estate of said Corlaer for the sum of fl. 406. Deft. replies, that the pltf. ought not to have any preference, as Corlaer had promised to pay him with goods to be sent from Holland and he, pltf., was content with that. The W. Court decree, that the pltf. shall come in concurrently with the other creditors except only those to whom the deft. has given security.

The Trustees of Capt. Manning's estate v/s The curators of Ritchard Maris' estate, defts. Pltfs. sue in writing. Defts. say, they are not parties and have not wronged the pltfs. and that they are guardians only over the child. Postponed until the Burgomasters have first spoken with the Governor on the subject to appoint curators over it.

Jacob Teunissen Quick, pltf. v/s John Cooly, deft. Pltf. says, he

pawned a small gold ring with deft. for a pint of rum, and that he got a copper one again in its stead. Deft. says, the little ring, which he returned to the pltf. was the selfsame, that he got from him in pawn. Pltf. is ordered to prove, that he delivered a gold ring to the deft.

Dirck Claessen Pottebacker, pltf. v/s Thomas Taylor, deft. Both in default.

Anna Cuypers, pltf. v/s Heyltje Jacobs, deft. Deft. in default.

Poulus van der Beeck, pltf. v/s George Coppett, deft. This case is suspended until the next Court day.

Philip Johns, pltf. v/s Dirck Jansen van Deventer, deft. Pltf. complains, that he has been abused by the deft. and produces two declarations. Deft. says, he has been threatened by the pltf. and produces also two declarations. The W. Court postpones the case, until the next Court day, as the pltf. has applied to the Schout, who is not well at present.

Schout A. D: Mill, pltf. v/s Dirck Jansen van Deventer, deft. Deft. appears and says, that the persons, who should testify for him are not in the place. Suspended till the next Court day, as the Schout is sick.

Allard Anthony, pltf. v/s Dirck Jansen van Deventer, deft. Pltf. demands according to a/c for Sheriffs fees £1: 6: 2 and fl. 32: 16 and asks for judgment. Deft. makes some objections to pltfs. a/c and maintains, that he is not indebted to the pltf., as he never demanded the same before now nor had he any a/c from him. Pltf. is ordered to render due a/c to the deft. under his signature, and the deft. is ordered to bring in on the next Court day, what he has paid or has to object thereto.

Allard Anthony, arrestant and pltf. v/s Robberd Coö, arrested and deft. Pltf. demands £15. from the deft. on Andrew Messenger's a/c. according to an obligation. Deft. admits, that there was a bill of £15, which he should pay, whereupon has been paid an ox to Dudly Lovelace, so that there now remains £7: 19: 8 in country pay and he is willing to pay the same. Pltf. undertakes to prove his statement. Deft. says also, he will prove, that there is only £7: 19: 8 in his hands. Both are ordered to bring in their evidence.

Allard Anthony, pltf. v/s William Wheyt, deft. Pltf. demands £2: 13 for Sheriffs fees from the deft. as executor of the late Nathaniell

Wright. William Whyte is ordered to render an a/c of Wright's estate at the next Court day, and to reply at the same time to pltf's a/c.

George Coppett, pltf. v/s Anna Menaett, deft. Pltf. says, that deft. came into his house, when he and his wife were not at home and looking through the whole house took away a bed. Deft. says, it was her bed and that she lent it to Pippinger, who had pawned it there. Deft. is ordered to bring the bed, where she took it from, within 3 times 24 hours, and to prove that it is her bed.

Anna Roemers, pltf. v/s Simon Jansen^rRomyn, deft. Deft. in default.

Abell Hardenbroeck, pltf. v/s Lysbett Claese, deft. Pltf. demands from the deft. fl. 70. for rent. Deft. admits the debt, but she is unable to pay it. The W. Court condemns the deft. to satisfy and pay the pltf.

Abell Hardenbroeck, pltf. v/s Pieter Janse Sholl, arrested and deft. Jonathan Provost, deft's bail in default.

Teunis Craey's wife appears in Court; requests an end with Allard Anthony.

N. Bayard, arrestant and pltf. v/s Pieter Pangborne, arrested and deft. Deft. in default.

On the request of Catharina Hegemans the Schout is ordered to execute the judgment against Roelof Jansen.

Ephraim Herman's attachment on M^r Payne's iron work is declared valid and postponed until the next Court day. Meanwhile the presiding Burgomaster shall speak about the matter with M^r Cornelis Steenwyck.

Henry Newton, Court Messenger, appearing in Court represents, that John Cooly has not yet furnished, according to the judgment of the Worsh^d Court of the 3^d Octob^r last, any proof that he has paid at the South River the demanded sum of one hundred guilders; he demands therefore, that the said John Cooly may be ordered to pay it. Deft. remaining *contumax* and producing no evidence, pursuant to said judgment, is ordered to satisfy and pay the pltf. the demanded sum of one hundred guilders.

Henry Newton, pltf. v/s J^r Cooly, deft. Deft. remaining *contumax* in his appearance to defend his case on the third Court day, is, on his default, condemned to pay the pltf. the demanded sum of fl. 45: 10. with costs.

Abell Hardenbroeck, arrestant and pltf. v/s W^m Jansen Berckeloo, arrested and deft. Pltf. demands from deft. according to settlement the sum of fl. 317: 11 and requests payment thereof. Deft. admits the debt. The W. Court condemns the deft. to pay the pltf. the above mentioned sum, with costs.

27th Decemb^r 1673. The following orders regarding the shutting the gates and the City Watch, are published from the City Hall of this City:

ITEM, also that none of the inhabitants shall be allowed to export provisions from this City; and that each of the good inhabitants shall lay in provisions for eight months beginning on the first of April next.

This date was also made the following Ordinance and *acte* regarding the Fire Marshals:—

WHEREAS it is found necessary for the prevention of accidents that the election and appointment of Firewardens be continued within this City according to previous custom, the W. Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens of the City of N. Orange have therefore nominated and authorized as they hereby do, as Firewardens of this City for the term of one current year, Jan Jansen van Bresteede, Everd Duyckingh, Rynier Willemsen, baker, and Jonas Bartelse, who are hereby requested and authorized to execute and fill the aforesaid office as Firewardens and Chimney Inspectors in such manner as the same has been heretofore executed and filled by their predecessors pursuant to the Ordinances and Placards thereof existing. Done in the City Hall of the City N: Orange. Ady, 5 January 1674.

Whereas the fortifications of this City N: Orange have, at great and excessive expence trouble and labour of the Burghery and inhabitants been mostly completed, and it is therefore necessary for the preservation of the same and better security of this City that some orders be made; the Hon^{ble} Governor Gener^l of New Netherland does therefore consider it necessary, to enact and by publication make known the following Orders to the Burghery—

1. Firstly, from now henceforward the Burgher watch of this City shall be set and commence at drumbeat about half an hour before sun down, when the train bands of this City then on guard shall parade before the City Hall of this City under the penalty previously affixed thereunto.

Item, the City gate shall be closed at sun down by the Mayor of this

City and his attendant trainbands and in like manner opened at sun rise.

Item the Burghery and inhabitants of this City and all others of what quality soever they may be, the watch alone excepted, are strictly interdicted and forbid to attempt coming from sunset to sun rise on the bulwarks, bastions or batteries of this City on pain of bodily correction.

Item it is strictly forbidden and prohibited, that any person, be he who he may, presume to land within this City or quit the same in any other manner, way or means than through the ordinary City gate on pain of DEATH.

And finally, as it is found that the hogs, which are kept within this City in multitudes along the public streets, have from time to time, committed great damage on the earthen fortifications, and that the same are most certainly to be expected in like manner here on the erected works, every one, who keeps hogs within this City, is therefore ordered and charged to take care that they shall not come to, in or on the bulwarks, bastions, gardens or batteries under forfeiture of said hogs and double the value thereof to be applied, the one half for the informer, the other half for the Officer, who shall put this in execution. Every person is hereby warned and put on his guard against injury. Done at the City Hall of the City N: Orange. Ady, this 27 Xb: 1673.

By order of the Governo: General of N: Netherland:

(Was Signed) N. Bayard, Secret^r

At a Court holden at the City Hall of the City N: Orange on the 16th January A^o 1674. Present the Hon^{ble} H: Governo: General together with the W. H: Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens of the City aforesaid.

The Hon^{ble} Governo: delivered to the Court a provisional instruction for the Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens abovementioned, reading as follows:

Copy.

PROVISIONAL INSTRUCTION FOR THE SCHOUT, BURGOMASTERS AND
SCHEPENS OF THE CITY N. ORANGE.

1. The Schout and Magistrates shall, each in his quality, take care that the Reformed Christian Religion conformable to the Synod of Dordrecht shall be maintained, without suffering any other sects attempting any thing contrary thereunto.

2. The Schout shall be present at all meetings and preside over them unless the Hon^{ble} Governor or some person appointed by him be present, who shall then preside, when the Schout shall take rank next below the youngest acting Burgomaster. But whenever the Schout acts as prosecutor on behalf of justice or otherwise, he shall, having made his complaint, rise up and absent himself from the Bench during the decision of the case.

3. All matters appertaining to the police, security and peace of the inhabitants, also to justice between man and man shall be determined by final judgment of the Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens aforesaid to the amount of fifty beavers and under, but in all cases exceeding that sum, each one shall be at liberty to appeal to the Governor General and Council here.

4. All criminal offences, which shall be committed within this City and its jurisdiction shall be amenable to the judicature of said Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens, who shall have power to judge and sentence the same even unto DEATH inclusive:—provided and on condition, that no sentence of corporal punishment shall be executed unless the approval of the Governor be first sought and obtained.

5. The Court shall be convoked by the presiding Burgomaster, who shall, the night before, make the same known to Capt. Willem Knyff, (who is hereby provisionally qualified and authorized to be present at and preside over the Court in the name and on the behalf of the Govern^r;) and so forth to the remaining Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens.

6. All motions shall be put by the first Burgomaster, whose proposition being made and submitted for consideration, the Commissioner there presiding in the name of the Govern^r shall first vote and so on afterwards the remaining Magistrates, each according to his rank; and the votes being collected, it shall then be decided according to plurality. But if it happen, that the votes are equal, the President shall then have power to decide by his vote, in which case those of a contrary opinion, as well as those of the minority, may record their opinions on the Minutes, but not make the same public in any way outside the Court on pain of arbitrary correction.

7. The Burgomasters shall change rank every half year, the oldest shall first occupy the place of President and the next shall succeed him;

but during this current year the change shall take place every 4 months, since three Burgomasters are appointed for this year.

8. The Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens shall hold their sessions and Court, as often as the same shall be necessary, on condition of previously appointing regular days therefor.

9. The Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens shall have power to enact, and with the approbation of the Governo^r to publish and affix statutes, Ordinances and Placards for the peace, quiet and advantage of this City and its inhabitants within their district, provided that the same do not in any wise conflict, but agree as much as possible, with the laws and statutes of our Fatherland.

10. Said Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens shall be bound rigidly to observe and cause to be observed the Placards and Ordinances of the supreme authority and not suffer any thing to be done contrary thereunto, but proceed against the contravenors according to the tenour thereof: and further promptly execute such orders as the Governo^r General shall send them from time to time.

11. The Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens shall also be bound to acknowledge their High Mightinesses the Lords States Generals of the United Netherlands and his Serene Highness the Prince of Orange as their sovereign rulers, and to maintain their high jurisdiction, right and domain in this country.

12. The election of all inferior Officers and servants in the employ of said Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens, shall, with the sole exception of the Secretary, be made and confirmed by themselves.

13. The Schout shall execute all judgments of the Burgomasters and Schepens without relaxing any, unless with the advice of the Court, also take good care, that the jurisdiction under his authority shall be cleansed of all vagabonds, whorehouses, gaming houses and such impurities.

14. The Schout shall receive all fines imposed during his time, provided they do not exceed yearly the sum of twelve hundred guilders seawant value, having received which, he shall enjoy the just half of all the other fines, on condition that he presume not, either directly or indirectly, to compound with any criminals, but leave them to the judgment of the Magistrates.

15. The Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens aforesaid shall convoke an Assembly on the 11th day of the month of August, being eight days before the election of new Magistrates, and in presence of the Commissioner to be qualified for that purpose by the Hon: Governo^r General nominate a double number of the best qualified honorable and most wealthy persons and such only as are of the Reformed Christian Religion, or at least well affected towards it, as Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens aforesaid, which nomination shall be handed in and presented, folded and sealed, on the same day to his Honour, from which nomination the election shall then be made by his Honour on the 17th day of the month of August, with continuation of some of the old Magistrates, in case his Honour shall consider the same necessary. Done Fort Willem Hendrick the 15th January 1674.

By Order of the Hon^{ble} H: Governo^r General of N. Netherland.

(Was Signed) N: Bayard, Secret^r

The W. Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens moreover handed to the Hon^{ble} Governo^r the subjoined writing relating to the furnishing some monies for the payment of the City's expences etc. Reading as follows:— To our Right Hon^{ble} Governo^r General Anth: Colve.

Right Hon^{ble} Sir,

Whereas the Presiding Burgomaster Johannes van Brugh and since then his successor Johannes De Peyster have represented in Court the expences successively incurred in fortifying this City of N. Orange and that they were constantly troubled and spoken to by its creditors for payment and earned wages; and little or nothing of what was promised by the outside people and allowed by your Hon^r and the Hon^{ble} Commanders has come in, the Burgomasters and Schepens considering the necessity thereof, unanimously resolve to speak to your Honour on this subject and for this purpose have commissioned Burgomasters Johannes de Peyster, Ægidius Luyck and Schepen Willem Beekman, who having done so report to the Court, that your Hon^r promised to take their proposition into consideration, and would appoint two or three persons to consult with them how, where and in what wise some monies could be raised to pay therewith the expences required and the debts incurred, but as we are informed by M^r: Cornelis Steenwyck and Secretary Nicolaes Bayard, that your Hon^r thinks it best to refer the furnishing of the required monies at

once to the Burgomasters and Schepens, we have thought proper to appoint *de novo* Burgomasters Johannes De Peyster, Johannes Van Brugh, Ægidius Luyck and Schepen Willem Beeckman to propose to and earnestly request of your Hon^r, to remember the verbal promise which you and the Hon^{ble} Commanders were pleased to give us that, if necessity required it, you would grant us the proceeds of the tapsters and weighhouse excise and continue it so long until the abovementioned expences and debts should be for the most part satisfied and paid; and though this will not immediately produce any ready money to satisfy present debts, yet we doubt not, but your Hon^r, (or some person authorized by you) will here upon findcredit enough amongst some of the most wealthy inhabitants to loan for us such monies, whereby we may satisfy and pay the abovementioned debts—Wherein not doubting we remain

Your Hon^r faithful subjects etc.

N. Orange 16th Jany. 1674.

Burgomasters and Schepens further resolved to adjourn the meeting, until the next morning to revise and consider the instruction granted, which in like manner is communicated by the presiding Burgomaster Johann: de Peyster to Capt. Knyff. Whereupon the said Capt Knyff immediately quitted the meeting and separated from them.

The three Burgomasters were sent for to the fort by the Governor, Who coming there are asked, why they had adjourned the meeting in an abrupt manner and refused to allow Capt. Knyff to preside?. They gave his Hon^r for answer, that not the smallest disrespect was committed, but that they had adjourned the meeting to examine the newly granted instruction and that when Capt Knyff was informed thereof he had left the meeting.

But finally after divers arguments *pro* and *con* they were told by the Governour, that they should forthwith repair back to the City Hall, to give without delay conjointly a categorical answer, to wit—whether they will allow Capt. Willem Knyff to preside at their Court, and in case of refusal, that his Hon^r will immediately dismiss and discharge said Schout, Burgomast^r and Schepens, appointing new ones in their stead.

Further, the Hon^{ble} Governo^r sent to the Court Councillor Cornelis Steenwyck and Secretary Nicolaes Bayard to receive the W. Court's answer to his Hon^r proposal exhibiting also to the Court of Burgomasters

and Schepens certain writing from the Governor, by which his Hon^r discharges the Burgomasters and Schepens, unless they will consent to his Honors resolution to permit Capt Knyff to preside in their Court according to the granted instruction.

All which being considered and weighed by the Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens they unanimously resolved to return the following answer:— To our R^t Hon^{ble} Governor General Anthony Colve.

Right Hon^{ble} Sir,

Whereas your Hon^r has been pleased to command us instantly to answer, whether we shall allow the person of Captⁿ Knyff to preside in our Court etc., these serve for answer:—

That we have always been very glad and well pleased and shall continue to be, by being honoured by Your Hon^r's presence in our Court, knowing that such is a great condescension on your part; but if your Hon^r have any doubt or misgiving of our judicial proceedings or behaviour, inspect and examine the Minutes, in which, will clearly appear what we according to custom from time to time treat of, adjudge and decide; we have therefore thought proper to communicate to your Hono^r in brief the following reasons:—

Firstly, that it conflicts with the laws, statutes, and Ordinances of our Fatherland, which we according to our commission and oath given to your Hon^r and the Hon^{ble} Commanders are bound to observe and obey.

Secondly, that it is manifestly prejudicial to the privileges of this Bench and Burghery, not only depreciating the character of the Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens, but is not practised in the cities of our Fatherland, whose law was granted and conceded to us in former times, and even by Your Hono^r and the Hon^{ble} Commanders.

And finally, that it cannot be otherwise, than prejudicial to the public peace of this Burghery, whereof we have already seen an instance, being this morning already unjustly accused and complained to your Hon^r by this same Capt Knyff. Meanwhile being grieved that all our solicitude, trouble, care, and labour expended to this time for the good of this City and its inhabitants should be requited by a dismissal for bad and illegal conduct (which God forbid.)—Beseeching Your Hono^r most humbly therefore, to arrange the matter in a more gentle manner and not

to interpret illy our zeal manifested for the good of the City and Burghery, which hoping, we are and remain

Your Hon^r faithful Subjects,

Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens of the City New Orange.

(Was Signed) Anthony De Mill,
Johannes De Peyster,
Johannes van Brugh,
Egidius Luyck,
Willem Beeckman,
Jeronimus Ebbingh,
Jacob Kip,
L. van der Spiegel,
Guilaine Verplanck.

N: Orange the 16th Jan^y 1674.

Which preceding answer being this date presented to the H^t Governo^r by the Worsh^l Burgomasters Johannes De Peyster, Johannes van Brugh, Egidius Luyck and Scheppen Willem Beeckman, they after divers discourses, received for answer from his Hon^r, that he should again send Councillor Corn^s Steenwyck and Secretary Bayard to the meeting, and that they should meanwhile consider on it.

Councillor Corn^s Steenwyck and Secretary Nicolaes Bayard appearing this day in Court have again asked the Worsh^l Burgomasters and Schepens in his Hon^r name whether they will consent to the Governo^r proposition regarding the presidency of the Capt. Knyf; if not that they should give a brief answer.

Whereupon the W. Burgomasters and Schepens after previous deliberation have concluded and resolved to send the Burgomasters Johannes De Peyster, Johannes Van Brugh, Ægidius Luyck and Scheppen Willem Beekman from the Court to the Governo^r to bear the following answer to his Hono^r:

The Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens finding themselves constrained to impair the right of the Burghery and to diminish its already granted privileges, persist therefore in their answer previously sent to his Hon^r. Yet in order not to directly contravene his Honn^r command and injunction herein, it is resolved and concluded (saving the right and privileges of this Bench and Burghery, also in order to prevent future

mischiefs and difficulties), to grant his Hono^r provisionally for this time the presidency of Capt. Knyff; as we doubt not his Hono^r will change his resolution and allow this Bench and Burghery to enjoy and exercise their previously granted rights and privileges according to the Commission given to this Court by the Hon^{ble} Commanders etc.

Which was given by the abovementioned delegates to the Secretary Bayard as an answer to be communicated to his Honour.

At a Court of Schout, Burgomast^r and Schepens holden in the City Hall, the 17th Jan^r A^o 1674. Present Capt Willem Knyf on behalf of the Governo^r presiding; Anthony De Mill, Schout, Johannes De Peyster, Johannes van Brugh, Ægidius Luyck, Burgomast^r Willem Beeckman, Jeronimus Ebbingh, Jacob Kip, Lourens van der Spigel, Guilaine Verplanck, Schepens.

Abell Hardenbroeck, arrestant and pltf. v/s Pieter Jansen Scholl, arrested and deft. Jonathan Provoost, defts. bail, 2^d default. Pltf. demands according to obligation the sum of fl. 214. deducting for

two hogs 76

Remains fl. 138.

Gabriell Minvielle, pltf. v/s Juffrouw Elizabeth de Potter, widow of the late Isacq Bedloo, deft. Deft. in default.

Schout A. De Mill, pltf. v/s Anthony Jansen Salee, deft. Pltf. says, that the deft. sold 4 *mutsjens* of drink to the Indian, who was lately shot dead by the sentry and as he is the cause of the consequent accident etc. Defts. wife appears and denies, that she gave any drink to the Indian and offers to confirm the same by oath. The W. Court dismiss pltf's. complaint, unless he can prove his statement.

David De Four, pltf. v/s Roelof Jansen, butcher, deft. Deft. in default.

Hendrick Gillissen, pltf. v/s Abell Hardenbroeck, deft. Pltf. in default.

Willem van Vredenburgh, 'ptlf. v/s Jacob Spanjard, deft. Parties both in default.

Ralph Hudson, pltf. v/s Lourens Coolvell, deft. Deft. in default.

Jacobus ffabritius,,ptlf. v/s^a Mary Droogstraet, deft. Pltf. demands

in writing, that the deft. may be ordered to depart out of his house, as she and her husband gave up the lease of it on the 30th August. Deft. denies, that she gave up the lease, but that she said: if we go to live in the fort, then we shall give up the lease. The W. Court having heard the arguments of parties order pltf. to give fuller proof of his assertion, and meanwhile the lease to stand good.

Annettie ffrabitus, pltf. v/s Jacobus ffrabitus, deft. Deft. demands postponement until the next Court day, as he had not pltf's declaration long enough. Pltf. through her attorney Allard Anthony demands, that the pltf. may be ordered to give her up the room in the house. Burgo-masters and Schepens decree, that Magister Jacobus Fabritius * shall provisionally remain in the chamber, until the case in question be disposed of; and he was also allowed time until the next Court day to prepare his answer.

Schout Anthony De Mill, pltf. v/s Jan Hendrickzen van Gunst, deft. Pltf. produces a judgment pronounced by this W. Court on 3^d Oct: last for the sum of fl. 100 and requests, that the deft. may again be ordered to pay said judgment with costs. As he refused to fulfill it, the W. Court orders that the deft. shall satisfy the Schout within 48 hours or in Case of refusal go to jail without delay.

Schout Anthony D Mill, pltf. v/s ffrançois Miserty, deft. Pltf. says, that on the 14th Jan'y being Sunday morning he found during preaching three persons sitting drinking in defts. house, he being a tapster; he concludes therefore, that the deft. shall be condemned according to placard in a fine of fl. 25 and costs. Deft. says, he sold no drink to said persons, but that they brought the drink to his house and so drank. The W. Court having heard the defts. excuse condemn him to pay the pltf. the fixed fine of fl. 25, with costs.

Schout A. De Mill, pltf. v/s Mary Hoffmyers, deft. Pltf. says, that

* The first minister of the Lutheran Church, who was allowed to hold service in New York according to his tenets. His predecessor Goetwasser was subjected to all kinds of indignities under Dutch rule. But even though on the return of the Dutch in 1673, Governor Colve allowed the free exercise of worship to the Lutherans (Septbr. 26, 1673), Fabricus was on March 1, 1674, brought up before the Governor and Council for having solemnized a marriage, without having been lawfully authorized to act as clergyman. At the same time he was accused of having committed bigamy, but the Court declared this charge unfounded, forbidding him nevertheless to act as clergyman for a year.

the deft. had a difficulty in her house on the 12 Decemb^r last with one Mary Feex and cut a hole in her head with a stick and tore said Mary Feex's hood and shawl in pieces: Pltf. concludes therefore, that the deft. shall be condemned according to Placard in a fine of fl. 100. with restoration of the torn property and the Surgeons fee, and costs. Deft. says, she was first struck by Mary Feex and abused by her and thus forced to drive her out the house. The W. Court condemns the deft. in a fine of fl. 15. for the Schout besides paying the surgeons fee and the costs.

Jacob Teunissen d'Kay, pltf. v/s Cornelis van Borsum, deft. Pltf. complains and says, that deft. and his wife have at divers times seriously threatened him, pltf., to deprive him of his eyes and sight, which he, the deft., also endeavoured to effect on the 16th Xb^r last throwing him, pltf., down to the ground on the exchange and wounding him in his eyes, as appears by divers declarations produced in Court; he requests to know, why? The deft. demands copy of pltf's demand and complaint, which is granted and allowed him by the W. Court.

Poulus van der Beeck, pltf. v/s George Cobbett, deft. Pltf. by his wife demands from deft., as per a/c the sum of gl. 26. 18. being for board, drink and ferry-money delivered to deft's wife's previous husband. Defts. wife says, that the pltf. was accustomed to entertain her husband, notwithstanding the pltf. was forbidden to do so; and says further, that she can affirm on oath, that when her aforesaid husband came to die, he did not leave ten guilders after him to bury him. The W. Court having heard parties arguments, condemn the deft. to pay the pltf. the aforesaid debt as she deft. remained in possession of her preceding husbands estate, on condition that the pltf. is willing to verify his rendered a/c by Oath.

Ralph Huthinson, pltf. v/s Jan Hendrickzen van Gunst, deft. Pltf. says, he bought a quantity of cotton-wool from one Lourens Gontsalis, late a soldier in Fort Willem Hendrick, shortly before he ran away, which he, pltf., allowed to remain in said Gontsalis' house to dry. Meanwhile the abovenamed Gontsalis having run away the cotton was appropriated by the deft. He demands therefore, that the pltf. be ordered to restore said cotton again to him, the pltf. Deft says, the abovenamed Lour: Gontsalis is indebted to him for rent, for which he appropriated the cotton and maintains, that the cotton does not belong to the pltf. The Court

having heard parties arguments and seen their proofs, order deft. to deliver up the said cotton to the pltf.

Philip Johns, pltf. v/s Dirck Smith, deft. The W. Court having heard pltf's demand and defts. answer together with the depositions and evidence brought in on both sides, orders, as it appears, that parties scolded on both sides, that they should again acknowledge each other for honest people before this Court and that neither party shall in the least hereafter affront in any way molest the other on account of this matter.

Schout Anth De Mill, pltf. v/s Dirck Jansen van Deventer, deft. Pltf. represents, that the deft. on the 30th October last ill treated and affronted Lieutenant Carell Quirynsen as appears by the produced accusation of s^d Lieutenant and Gabriell Minvielle: he concludes therefore, that the deft. having committed a serious offence ought to be banished beyond this Citys jurisdiction or be otherwise punished as he deserves. Deft. protests his innocence, saying he does not know, that he spoke any ill to said Lieutenant, as he does not even yet know him; demands therefore, that the accusers, by whom according to their own acknowledgment, he was first struck, may prove their delivered accusation by other indifferent persons; further producing again three depositions, which testify that he, deft., was first struck by Mary Hays, afterwards by Gabriell Minvielle, so that he fell to the ground, and finally by the Lieutenant Quirynsen, without returning a blow. The W. Court decree, that whilst it is not made to appear by any legal declarations or evidence, that Dirck Smith has scolded or struck Philip John's wife, Gabriell Minvielle or the Lieutenant Quirynsen, except by those who themselves ill-treated and beat the above-named Dirck Smith in an unbecoming manner contrary to Burghers' privileges, so that he fell to the earth, according to the depositions produced; the pltf's demand is therefore dismissed, until he shall have produced further evidence.

At Jan Cooly's request Mess^{rs} Jacob Leyslaer and Dirck Van Clyff are authorized to examine the books and papers of the fortification of the Fort, lately called James, which now remain in the hands of Sieur Francois Rombouts and to render a report of their award at the next Court day.

Allard Anthony appears at the Secretary's office of this City and declares in the name and on behalf of Lieutenant Querynsen, that he appeals

from the judgment dated 17th of this instant pronounced by the Worsh^l Burgomasters and Schepens between Schout Anthony De Mill, pltf. ag'st Dirck Jansen Van Deventer, Deft., and declares, he will carry said case before the Governo^r and Supreme Council. Done, N : Orange, the 19th Jany 1674.

At a Court holden in the City Hall of this City N. Orange the 30th January A^o 1674. Present Capt Knyff on behalf of the Govern^r Anthony De Mill, Schout ; Johannes De Peyster, Johannes van Brugh, Ægidius Luyck, Burgomasters ; Willem Beeckman, Jeronimus Ebbingh, Jacob Kip, Lourens van der Spiegell, Guilaine Verplanck, Schepens.

Annettie ffabritius, pltf. v/s Jacob ffabritius, deft. Pltf. demands an answer to her previously presented petition, according to the last order. Deft. delivers in a petition, in which he requests that a lawyer may be allowed him, as he does not understand the Dutch terms, made use of in said petition. Pltf. requests, that the Deft. may be ordered to vacate her house. Ordered, that this be entered as a default against the deft. and that the deft. shall finally answer within eight days from next Court day or in case of further delay judgment shall be pronounced.

Gabriell Minvielle, pltf. v/s Juffrouw Elizabeth Bedloo, deft., ordered on plts. request, that copy of deft's answer and a/c be delivered to him.

David Defour, pltf. v/s Roeloff Jansen, butcher, deft. Pltf. demands from deft. the sum of fl. 200. for an ox sold about two years ago to the deft. and offers to deliver to deft. a cow, which he bartered with deft., whenever he is paid. Deft. says, that the pltf. did not deliver him the cow according to agreement, notwithstanding he sent his children for her divers times. The W. Court having heard the arguments of parties on both sides, decree and order, that the deft. shall pay the pltf. the demanded sum of fl. 200. within 8 days' time, provided the cow be first delivered to the pltf., at the time the same is paid, and that said cow shall meanwhile run at defts risk.

Jacobus Fabritius, pltf. v/s Mary Droogstraet, deft. Pltf. demands in writing, that deft. be ordered to leave his house, as deft. and her husband both gave up the lease last August, also that his witnesses may be ordered to appear in Court to give evidence to the truth, as the said witnesses were now twice summoned and have not yet appeared. Deft. denies, that

she or her husband gave up the lease. The W. Court having heard the arguments of parties and the abovementioned evidence, dismiss pltf's demand.

Abel Hardenbroeck, arrester and pltf. v/s Pieter Jansen Scholl, arrested and deft. Pltf. demands from the deft. the sum of fl. 138. balance of an obligation and requests condemnation. Defts. bail, Jonathan Provoost, admits the debt, but says, that the deft. is prevented by the badness of the weather from sending the payment hither. The W. Court condemns the deft. or his said bail to satisfy and pay the pltf. the demanded sum of fl. 138.

Jan Hendrickzen van Gunst, arrestant and pltf. v/s Robberd Hollis, arrested and deft. Pltf. demands from the deft. according to agreement the sum of fl. 192. with 20 gl. for costs and demands condemnation. Deft. admits the debt and says he gave pltf. an assignment on Dirck Storm for it. The W. Court condemns the deft. to pay pltf. the sum demanded ; meanwhile the attachment is declared valid.

Schout Anth : de Mil, pltf. v/s Jacob Smith, turner, deft. Pltf. says, that the deft. made trouble at night between the 16th and 17th inst. at the house of Francis Leigh, whereupon he was brought to the City Hall by the watch, where he committed divers improper acts according to several depositions ; pltf. concludes, that the deft. be therefore committed to prison, to be conveyed thence to the place, where justice is usually executed, there to be fixed to a stake and severely scourged as an example to others, and further for ever banished from this City's jurisdiction, paying the costs and expences of justice herein incurred. Deft. denies it and says, he knows nothing of it ; as he was overcome by drink ; prays forgiveness and promises to behave better. The W. Court condemns the deft. in a fine of fl. 50. for the Officer, and that he shall be imprisoned two days on his discharge, from which he shall pray the forgiveness of this W. Court and pay the costs herein incurred.

Jacob Teunissen Kay, pltf. v/s Cornelis van Borssum, deft. Deft in default.

Dirck van Clyff, pltf. v/s Allard Anthony, deft. Pltf. in default.

Willemte van Leyden, pltf. v/s Albert Aerietsen, deft. Deft. in default. Henry Newton, Court Messenger, relates, that he was by order of Allard Anthony to Robberd Coe at Jamaica Village to tell him, that

the Council would sit on Tuesday, who said that he had nothing to do with the Council and would not come.

Claes Roelofsen, pltf. v/s Abel Hardenbroeck, deft. Deft. in default.

The Schout, pltf. v/s Frederick, the turner, deft. Deft. in default.

The Firewardens report in writing the number of fire buckets and other fire implements found by them to be provided : requesting that this Court will be pleased to order, that such fire hooks and ladders as are necessary may be made.

Allard Anthony is ordered to cause Robberd Coo to be notified to appear on the next Court day on pain of judgment being pronounced on his default.

On the petition of Jacob Hendrickz Varrevanger appostilled : That the petitioner shall deliver copy to Mr. Steenwyck to answer thereunto and to see if he will do so.

Pursuant to the Order of the last Court day Mess^r Jacob Leyselaer and Dirck van Clyff deliver their report and award into Court, from which they cannot see that Thomas Lovelace owes any thing etc.

Ordered, that John Cooly shall render further proof, that Thomas Lovelace has received any effects.

On Jacobus de Haert's petition ordered, that execution shall issue in the action of himself against P. Jansen Werckendam dated 14th 9^{ber} last and the Officer is required to execute the same.

The Schout A. de Mil requests, that he may proceed with execution against Jacob Abrahamsen as principal bail of Abel Hardenbroeck, as said Jacob Abrahamsen will not pay without execution. Whereupon said Jacob Abrahamsen appearing in Court, persists still therein, wherefore the Officer is allowed to proceed with execution against said bail.

Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens being assembled *collegialiter* have caused Jacob Smith to be called in and the judgment of this W. Court pronounced on the 30th of January last being communicated, he besought forgiveness of his committed fault, and is after reproof discharged from imprisonment on fulfilling said sentence.

At a Court of the President Capt^r Knyff with the W. Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens holden at the City Hall on the 6th Feby. A^o 1674. The Court complete.

Gabriel Minvielle, pltf. v/s Juffrouw Bedloo, deft. Pltf. demands payment in writing saying, he never released M^r Bedloo. Deft. by her attorney says, that the pltf. sold the goods to Thomas Lovelace alone and that the goods were afterwards placed by Laval in Isaac Bedloo's hands as factor, and for Governo^r Lovelace's a/c. and that Sieur Bedloo executed the bill of exchange as Lovelace's factor. Pltf. says, that Bedloo's books are false and fraudulent and that many leaves are palpably torn out ; he undertakes to prove it ; further he says, that he sold the goods to Thomas de Laval and Isaacq Bedloo and that Bedloo afterwards assumed the whole and passed the bill ; produces also the protested exchange etc. He persists in his previous demand.

VOTES.

Captⁿ Knyf maintains, that the deft. shall pay according to bill of exchange. Burgomaster de Peyster, that copy of the pieces last given in shall be delivered to parties, and that deft. shall rejoin thereunto at the next Court day : also that the deft. shall be at liberty to extract from Governo^r Lovelace's books copy of some pieces, which she may consider necessary for further explanation and illustration of her rejoinder. The remaining Magistrates, the Schouts, Burgomasters and Schepens agree in opinion with Burgomaster de Peyster.

Claes Jansen, butcher, pltf. v/s Abel Hardenbroeck, deft. Deft's 2^d default. Pltf. demands 1 parcel of kersey or woollen clothes, 6 cravats, 1 pair of stockings, a shoemakers certificate, and a contract made Jan^y 7, 1670 ; all balance of certain contract produced in Court.

Jan Buytenhuys and Andries Andriesen, pltf's. v/s Joris Jansen van Hooren, deft. Pltf's say, they hired to deft. a canoe, which he was also bound to repair at his cost, and that the Deft. allowed the canoe to go adrift at his wharf, so that they were obliged to disburse the sum of fl. 36 in divers materials ; they request, that deft. may be ordered to restore the same to them. Deft. says, he was not obliged to furnish the materials thereto, but to pay the carpenters wages. The W. Court having seen the evidence dismiss the pltf's demand and condemn them in the costs.

Teunis Kray, pltf. v/s Allard Anthony, deft. Deft. in default.

Jonas Bartelsen, pltf. v/s Lodeuyek Pos, deft. Deft. in default.

Jacob Teunisse Kay, pltf. v/s Cornelis van Borsum, deft. On pltf's request, tis ordered that he be given copy of deft's papers.

Derick van Clyf, pltf. v/s Allard Anthony, deft. Deft's 2^d default.

Jan Buytenhuys, pltf. v/s Allard Anthony, deft. Deft. in default.

Willemtje van Leyden, pltf. v/s Albert Aeriessen, deft. Deft's 2^d default. Pltf. demands 30 English shillings for a beast sold him by her husband.

Anna Fabricius, pltf. v/s Jacob Fabritius, deft. Deft. delivers his answer through Jochem Beeckman. Pltf. demands copy of papers. Copy ordered to be delivered.

On Mr. Cornelis Steenwyck's petition—apostilled—that copy be furnished M^r. Jacob Varrevanger.

Jan Cooly appears in Court and requests delay until the next session of the Court to bring in his proofs in the case between him and Thomas Lovelace. Time is allowed him until the next Court day.

Thomas Walton appears in Court, produces a judgment pronounced by the W. Court on the . . . last, against Roelof Janse, butcher, and requests, as he resides on Staten Island, that the Schout shall cause said sentence to be notified to said Roelof Jansen and be put in execution.

Whereas divers complaints are made from time to time that several carters refuse and are unwilling to ride timber, stone and other materials for the City and public service, It is therefore this day resolved and concluded, that on their first refusal or exhibition of unwillingness, their horses shall be immediately untackled, and they be deprived of their places of carters.

Pursuant to order and apostille issued by the Hon^{ble} Governor on the 1st Feb^y last on a Petition presented by this W. Court Jany. 16th last to his Hono^r: relative to the furnishing some monies for the payment of the expences of fortifying this City, the Burgomasters and Schepens of this City of N. Orange have commissioned and qualified from their Court, which they hereby do, the president Burgomaster Johannis de Peyster and Schepen W^m Beeckman to help to make out with the Commissioners on the part of the Supreme Government and Commonalty, a general assessment enacted by the Hon^{ble} Governo^r: and put the same into execution according to his Hono^r: order.

10th Feb^y. Burgomasters and Schepens being assembled *Collegialiter* in the City Hall have resolved to send the following letter to the Villages of Midwout, Breuklen and Amesfort on Long Island.

Good Friends,

We have waited until now before calling on you to fulfill your engagement and promise to furnish and collect for us some monies for the use of the City ; but whereas we are now sorely in want of some to pay divers expences incurred in fortifying the City, and the season of the year being now equally favorable to the bringing corn hither, we therefore hereby recommend and request you particularly to assist us with and send the monies demanded by the earliest opportunity according to your engagement. Which expecting We remain &c.

At a Court of the Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens holden at the City Hall of the City N. Orange, on the 13th Feby^r A^o 1674.

Capt. W^m Knyf, on behalf of the Govern^r. A. de Mil, Schout ; Johannis de Peyster Ægidius Luyck, Burgomasters ; Willem Beeckman Jeronimus Ebbingh, Jacob Kip, Lourens Vander Spiegel, Guilian Verplanck, Schepens.

Gabrielle Minvielle, pltf. v/s Juffrouw Elizabeth de Potter, widow of J. Bedloe, deft. Deft. rejoins in writing. Pltf. demands payment of his exchange according to previous demand. Ordered that parties shall produce all their papers and pieces on the next Court day, which have reference to the principal and draw their deduction.

Jacob Teunissen Kay, pltf. v/s Cornelis van Borsum, deft. Deft. in default. Copy to be furnished deft.

Annetjie Fabritius, pltf. v/s Jacobus Fabritius, deft. Deft. in default. Pltf. says through Allard Anthony, that deft. rendered an answer on last Court day, resembling a lampoon and she requests, that deft. may explain in Dutch the Latin terms used in the same, when the pltf. will answer on the next Court day. Deft. sends a letter, in which he says he is sick and requests, that his wife or somebody for her be ordered to assist him somewhat. Ordered on pltf's demand, that the deft's writing dated 16th Feb. last, brought in on the last Court day be rendered into good Low dutch within thrice 24 hours. And on deft's request apostilled—The petitioner must apply to his nearest friends.

Schout A. de Mill, pltf. v/s David Wesselse, deft. Pltf. says, the deft. was a witness, when Jacob Fabritius married certain persons. Deft. says, he only got the book out of the chest for Jacob Fabritius and was no wit-

ness. On the report of Capt. Knyf ordered, that the Schout shall produce fuller evidence.

Teunis Kray, pltf. v/s Allard Anthony, deft. Pltf. exhibiting two judgments of the last Mayor's Court and one of the W. Courts, demands payment from the deft. according to said judgment for food delivered to several prisoners. Deft. says, he has nothing in hands of the prisoners and maintains that the City or public must pay it. The deft. is ordered to satisfy and pay the pltf. the previous judgments of the Mayors Court and of this Court.

Jacob Leyselaer, pltf. v/s Gabriel Minviele, deft. Pltf. demands payment for the dead freight of 5 hhds of tobacco, which deft. should have shipped in Pieter van Essams ketch. Deft. says, that Pieter Essam refused M^r. Moll to take in tobacco and produces a letter from M^r. Moll. Ordered that parties shall deliver in at the next Court day their letter books.

The Schout, pltf. v/s Marck Dal, deft. On Capt. Knyf report, that the Governo^r pardoned the deft. for this time, the pltf's suit is dismissed.

Abel Hardenbroeck, pltf. v/s Allard Anthony, deft. Pltf. demands restitution of 4 otters, 1 little beaver and 14 gl. for shoes etc. And offers to pay the defts fees. Deft. says, that he shall produce a/c at the next Court day. The W. Court orders the deft. to produce the a/c on the next Court day.

Dirck van Cleef, pltf. v/s Allard Anthony, deft. Pltf. represents, that the deft. has not yet produced sufficient proof from Capt Nicolls according to the order of this Court and says that he accepted the assignment on Manning only conditionally. Deft. says, the pltf. accepted the assignment on Manning for good pay : produces a declaration of Capt. Nicolls. Whereas Capt Nicolls declaration is not sworn to, the W. Court therefore gives the deft. time to have the said declaration sworn to by the said Nicolls on a fitting occasion.

Schout A. de Mill, pltf. v/s Frederick Arentsen, deft. Defts 2 default. Pltf. says, that the deft. has refused to obey the order of this W. Court.

Schout A : de Mill, pltf. v/s Jacob Abrahamsen Sandford, deft. Pltf. produces a bailbond executed by the deft. for Abel Hardenbroeck, also an execution thereupon and demands, that deft. be imprisoned according to the laws of our Fatherland. Deft. says, he became bail for Abell Harden-

brock in good faith and requests, that pltf. may proceed against said Hardenbroeck, as he is capable etc. Ordered that after a lapse of 24 hours the pltf. may levy immediate execution and that deft. shall have the same right on and against Abell Hardenbroeck.

Pieter Jacobz Marius, pltf. v/s Allard Anthony, deft. Pltf. demands, that the Schout may be ordered to execute the judgment of the last Mayor's Court dated Octob^r 1672 pronounced against the deft. etc. The W. Court having examined the case, also what the deft. brings in for his defense, consent to pltf's. request, and order the Schout of this City to levy execution.

Willemetje van Leyden, pltf. v/s Alberdt Aeriessen, deft. Pltf. demands of deft. for a beast sold by her husband to the deft. the sum of 30 English shillings and requests payment. Defts 3^d default. The W. Court condemns the deft. on his default to satisfy and pay the pltf. sum demanded of 30 English shillings.

Allard Anthony, pltf. v/s Robbert Coö, deft. Pltf. demanding from the deft. the sum of £ 15 on behalf of the estate of one Andries Messenger, asks for condemnation. Deft. admits, that £15 were in his hands, but says he paid thereupon an a/c to Capt Dudley Lovelace, so that now there is but £7. 19. 8 on hand, which he offers to pay in country pay; proving by three depositions produced in Court, that he has paid an ox. The W. Court having heard the arguments of parties on both sides and seen the evidence, condemns the deft. to pay to the pltf. the remaining sum of £7 : 19 : 8 and that within this City, unless he, the deft. can prove the company : further, the deft. shall immediately enter good bail and pay the costs incurred therein.

Claes Jansen, pltf. v/s Abell Hardenbroeck. deft. Pltf. demands a balance of a contract dated 7 Jany, 1670 entered into between them both and now exhibited in Court, the following to wit :—a parcel of good Kersey or cloth clothes, a pair of stockings, six cravats, with a shoemaker's certificate. Deft. admits the debt, but requests a little time as goods are now very dear and scarce. The W. Court having examined the case, orders the deft. to fulfill the aforesaid contract, or that he shall otherwise satisfy the pltf. in the presence and on the award of Jan van Breesteede and Reynier Willemsen, baker, who are hereby requested to attend to it; and the deft. is condemned in the costs incurred herein.

Jacob Hendrickz Varrevanger, pltf. v/s Mr. Cornelis Steenwyck, deft. Pltf. as agent of Poulus Leendersen demands by his attorney Allard Anthony the entire passage situate between him and the deft., to do with it according to his pleasure. The deft. demands, that this W. Court shall please to dispose of the following points, when he will immediately answer to the merits. 1. He demands copy of the procuration from Paulus Leendersen. 2. Whether Burgomaster Johannis van Brugh is concerned in the action as attorney for Paulus Leendersen. 3. That the pltf. be ordered to give security for the judgment with the costs thereon and still to accrue. To which the pltf. answers as follow :—To the 1st. That the deft. can obtain copy of the procuration from Willem Bogardus. 2d. That deft. can enquire that of Burgomaster Vanbrugge. 3d. That the deft. give bail, whenever the pltf. is ready to do so likewise. The W. Court orders the pltf. to furnish the deft. with copy of the procuration ; further, that the deft. can have the Burgomaster Vanbrugge asked the question through the City Messenger ; and finally that parties on both sides give security.

Hendrick Gillisen, pltf. v/s Abel Hardenbroeck, deft. Pltf. pursuant to a contract executed in presence of the Schout in date 16th 9ber 1673, demands from the deft. some shoes and shoemakers leather, with 16 gl. additional paid to Jno. Sharp, being omitted in said agreement. Deft. says, he did not refuse to deliver the pay according to agreement, and will undertake to pay the pltf. within eight days. The W. Court having heard the debates of parties on both sides, orders deft. to satisfy the pltf. according to said agreement within the time of forty-eight hours together with the omitted 16 gl. on pain of execution and to pay the costs incurred herein.

Hendrickje Smith, pltf. v/s Marretje van Doesburgh, deft. Agreed.

The Schout, pltf. v/s Jacobus Fabritius, deft. Deft. in default.

Jacob Leyselaar, pltf. v/s Pieter van Essam, deft. Deft. in default.

Jan Cornelissen, pltf. v/s Mist^r. Hawkense, deft. Deft. in default.

Jan Lammertson, pltf. v/s Abel Hardenbroeck, deft. Pltf. in default.

According to the Hon^{ble} Governo^r General's order, Burgomaster van Brugh and Schepen Beekman are this day commissioned from the court in the action of the Fiscal Knyf ag^{'st} Dirck Smith. This day, 15th Feb^r. A^o 1674, Thimotheus Gabrie appears before the Secretary of this City,

and declares himself bail for M^r Jacob Varrevanger for the judgment in the action between said Varrevanger ag^t M^r Cornelis Steenwyck, deft., regarding an alley way, etc.

At a Court of the W. Heeren Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens holden in the City Hall on the 20th Feb^y 1674. Capt Knyf, on the part of the Governo^r presiding. Present, Anth. de Mill, Schout; Johannis de Peyster, Johannis Van brugh, Ægidius Luyck, Burgomasters; William Beeckman, Jeronimus Ebbingh, Jacob Kip, Lourens van der Spiegel, Guilain Verplanck, Schepens.

Gabriel Minvielle, pltf. v/s Juffrouw Bedloo, deft. Pltf. sues according to previous declaration demands and produces a deposition of N. Bayard stating in substance, that he was present at the trade between Bedloo and Lavall in Comp^y etc. This being disposed of parties delivered in their papers, whereupon they required, that the Magistrates should pronounce judgment.

Jacob Leyselaer, pltf. v/s Pieter Pietersen van Essam, deft. Whereas the W. Court decree, that of the pltf's. demand a part is contained in the previous judgment pronounced by this W. Court against the pltf. for the dead freight of 25 hhds of tobacco, the pltf. is therefore ordered to bring in separately what he claims from the deft. beyond the said pronounced judgment and to institute his action against the deft. and pltf. that he may furnish copy of his demand to the deft. to answer thereunto at the next Court day.

Jacob Hendrickz Varrevanger, pltf. v/s Cornelis Steenwyck, deft. Pltf., as agent of Poulus Leendersen vande Grift, demands and requires by his att'y Allard Anthony as before. Deft. answers and declares; 1. That the plt. has removed the fence of the passage in question. 2. He declares pltf's. demand frivolous and asks that it may be dismissed: as all the ground from M^r Jacob's fence to M^r Hans Kierstede's corner belonged to him, deft. at the time he built and as the fence stood one foot more easterly from P. Leendersen and deft. then left the passage claimed at the time as a passage for his house. The deft. therefore concludes. that the pltf. shall be ordered to take up his fence to the back side of his house to be placed according to direction of the judgment, with costs. The deft. herein being pltf. in reconvention * built his house on

* In a cross action.

the ground of Pieter Cornelissen and Roelof de Haes, both then belonging to the deft. as well as on the ground behind M^r. Hans Kierstede, also a little bit of ground granted by Governo^r. Stuyvesant and Council. In proof of his statement he says—1. That the ground brief of Pieter Cornelissen calls it next to Poulus Leendersens, calls on the south side for one rod seven feet three inches Rhineland measure the same behind ; it was obtained on the 8th 7^{ber} 1644, long before the erection of P. Leendersen's house. 2. Roelof Jansen's ground brief obtained May 11th, 1646, is on the south side one rod seven feet, Rhineland measure, wide ; the same on the north side. 3. M^r. Hans Kierstede's ground brief is on the south side one rod, 5 feet 8 inches wide, and one rod 8 feet wide on the north side. 4. Four feet of a lot additional on both sides obtained from Governo^r. Stuyvesant A^o 1656, 8th 25^{ber}. Deft. requests, that Commissioners may be appointed with a land surveyor to examine the ground. Pltf. produces a ground brief from Gov^r. Stuyvesandt dated A^o 1649 July 19, granting to Paulus Leendersen a lot 24 feet wide and 107 feet long, claiming this to be proof regarding the passage in dispute. The W. Court appointed as Commissioners, Francoys Rombouts and Jacob Leyse-laer, who with the land surveyor Jacques Courteljouw are qualified and requested to measure the ground, examine the ground briefs and to reconcile parties if possible ; otherwise to report to the Court.

James Matthews arrestant and pltf. v/s Daniel Teurneur, arrested and deft. Pltf. demands from deft. according to a/c the sum of fl. 304:2 and requests, that an attachment be declared valid, which he issued against deft's. effects in Jacob Leyselaer's hands. Whereas deft. is absent, has no information of the attachment and could not receive it the W: Court declares the attachment invalid.

James Walwell, arrestant and pltf. v/s Volckert Dircksen, arrested and deft. Ordered, that parties on both sides bring in their proofs on the next Court day.

Jan Cornelissen, pltf. v/s Mist^r. Hawkins, deft. Parties agreed.

Margriët Stuyvesand, pltf. v/s the curators over the estate of the late B. de Haert, deft. Pltf. thro' her attorney Allard Anthony demands according to written declaration the sum of fl. 12849:10 seawan. Referred to Jacobus van de Water and Steven Van Cortland to examine the a/c. and to reconcile parties if possible ; otherwise to report to the next Court.

Jan Gerritse van Buytenhuyse, pltf. v/s Allard Anthony, deft. Pltf. demands the sum of fl. 206 for 27 days attendance on Benjamin Johns house and for carrying in timber.

Jacob Teunissen Kay, pltf. v/s Cornelis van Borssum, deft. Deft. demands copy of pltf's. declaration to furnish his rejoinder thereunto. The W: Court orders copy of the declaration to be furnished.

Marretje Jans, pltf. v/s Thomas Taylor, deft. Deft in default.

Thomas Lewis, pltf. v/s Abraham Lammertsen Mol, Jan Pietersen and Evert Evertsen, defts. Pltf. says, that he contracted with defts. to repair his sloop before Candlemas, which was prevented by the City work, and that he brought the sloop with defts' consent into the harbour, when they promised to repair it, which they now refuse. Defts. demand copy of pltf's declaration to answer thereunto at the next Court day. Copy is allowed them.

Anna Fabritius, pltf. v/s Jacobus Fabritius, deft. Ordered that copy of the deft's. last entered answer shall be delivered to the pltf.

Everd Wessels, pltf. v/s James Matthews, deft. Pltf. demands restitution of an obligation executed by him, pltf., for Reynier vander Cooly pursuant to a previous judgment of the Mayor's Court. Ordered, that the deft. shall return the obligation to the pltf. or a lawful acquittance as the pltf. has proved, that he already paid said obligation and was equally discharged by the Mayor's Court before which he tried the case.

Abel Hardenbroeck appearing requests, that Allard Anthony may be again ordered to produce according to the last order. Ordered, that the said Allard Anthony shall perform the same on the next Court day on pain of judgment being pronounced against him in case of farther delay.

Tuesday 20th Feb^r in the afternoon Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens being assembled *Collegialiter* at the City Hall.

Isaack Kip delivers into Court a petition, wherein he requests, that he may have the office and benefice of Stamper of this City promising so to demean himself in said office as to give satisfaction to this W. Court and the inhabitants. The W: Schout, Burgomasters, and Schepens having taken the abovementioned petition into consideration, the petitioner's request is allowed on condition, that he demean himself therein so that no complaints be made against him and further regulates himself conformably to the instruction, which shall be given him to that effect.

Resolved further to give notice of the contracting next Thursday for some hundred palisades for the fortification of this City ; and from the Bench are appointed the Schout, Schepens Jacob Kip and Guilain Verplanck to enter into the said contract on next Thursday.

Whereas question has arisen between M^r Jacob Varrevanger, pltf. v/s M^r Cornelis Steenwyck, deft. relative to a passage lying between the house and lot of said Steenwyck and M^r Jacob abovementioned, the Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens have resolved with consent of parties to refer the said matter in question to indifferent persons and to this end have appointed and qualified, as they hereby do, Sieurs Francoys Rombouts and Jacob Leyselaer, with the sworn land surveyor Jacques Corteljouw to measure over the ground and lots of parties, to examine their respective ground briefs and other proofs, also to hear the arguments on both sides, if possible to reconcile parties or otherwise to render to the Court report of their award and arbitration.

This date also is the following order sent by the W. Court to Jacques Corteljouw the sworn land surveyor. Whereas difference has arisen between Jacob Hendrickz Varrevanger and Cornelis Steenwyck, which cannot be well settled without a proper Land Surveyor to measure the lots in question, Therefore the sworn Land Measurer Jacques Corteljou of this City of N: Orange is required and requested to transport himself hither with his instruments on Friday next being the 23^d inst, or earlier to perform what is aforesaid. Done, New Orange the 20th Feb^r A^o 1674.

Jacob Leyselaer, pltf. v/s Gabriel Minvielle, deft. Pltf. demands from deft. the dead freight of 5 hhds of tobacco which he, thro' M^r Moll in Maryland, had agreed to ship in Pieter van Essam's ketch, which was not done. Deft. produces a letter of M^r Mol, who had offered to ship 6 @ 8 hhds, but that the skipper said, he had no positive order for it ; proving further by his and the pltf's. copy book of letters, that the writing and agreement about it were only conditional. The W. Court having heard and seen parties arguments and proofs, cannot perceive, that the deft. owes dead freight. Pltf's demand is therefore dismissed.

At a Court holden on the the 24th February, A^o 1674. The Court complete except Captⁿ Knyff.

To the Worship^l President, Burgomasters and schepens of this City of N: Orange.

Annetje Cornelis represents with very great humility, that she has divers times requested, that the house belonging to her and her children from God and nature may be given up to her, as she is very sickly and beladen with the quartan ague, having been obliged the whole winter to sleep in the garret under the roof of the house, which truly is a very hard thing to happen to an old woman and all this for a drunken and constant prophaner of God's name, a ci-devant Lutheran preacher, named, as he says Jacobus Fabritius, her married but unfaithful husband, who has driven her out her own house and chamber, which she intended for her son ; which is truly a matter that ought not be tolerated in a place, where law is maintained, as is the case in this government, the good God be fervently thanked therefor. The petitioner therefore humbly beseeches Your Worships to be pleased to order, that he deliver up the key of the room without delay to the petit^r and to interdict or forbid him to presume to enter the house any more until further order from y^r Worships, on pain of certain arbitrary correction to be found fitting by Your Worships, the rather as said Fabritius did yesterday not only use force and violence in said house, but also stole property, which at a proper time shall be proved ; whereupon awaiting your favorable apostille, remains, etc. Apostilled :— The accompanying petition being considered and read in Court, the petitioner Annetje Cornelis' request is granted and allowed, especially as Jacobus Fabritius has of himself left the house and, contrary to the previous order and prohibition given him has behaved very uncivilly and badly ; and the said Jacobus Fabritius is ordered to deliver up the said key to the petitioner and not to presume to molest her in any way, until the W. Court shall otherwise provide therein.

Whereas divers complaints are daily made to the Burgomasters and Burgher Chief Officers of this City, that many of the inhabitants of this City, notwithstanding the previously fixed orders, absent themselves and do not appear at the appointed time in their respective companies to aid in advancing the public necessary work of fortifying this City, whereby the same is greatly delayed and postponed ; The W. Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens of this City have therefore resolved *de novo* well and strictly to order and charge, that each and every one shall repair to his company and corporal's squad at the appointed day and place of work and there advance the public necessary work, on pain of forfeiting fl. 6 for each day

lost; fl. 3. for a half day for a quarter day in proportion which fines henceforth shall be collected and gathered precisely every week by the Provost and the respective Corporals and the said Provost and Corporals of the respective Squads are authorized and charged to Keep a correct Account and list of the absent persons, to the end of collecting and gathering the fines due each week, which fines shall be henceforth employed $\frac{1}{4}$ for the Provost and the remaining two thirds for the Corporal's Squads, and in case any one shall be found unwilling to pay on losing the afore-said fine, the Provost and Corporals shall communicate the same to the W. Court, who shall then make further order thereupon.

Having considered and read the papers, documents and other proofs produced in Court in the case between Gabriel Minvielle, pltf. v/s Juffrouw Elizabeth de Potter widow of Isaak Bedloo, deft., wherein the pltf. demands from the deft. the following sum; firstly the sum of fl. 3880:12 Holland money being for a protested bill of exchange, with the risk, damage and interest done by deft's. late husband Sieur Isaack Bedloo to the deft. Item, for book debt according to a/c the sum of fl. 85.8 in beavers fl. 329.1 in *zew* and the quantity of 124 lbs. of good merchantable leaf tobacco; demands condemnation with costs. The deft. represents, that the bill of exchange was not for her husband's a/c, but that he drew it as factor of the late Governo^r F. Lovelace, in whose books he the pltf. stands credited for the same and as regards the book debt offers to pay the same at any time to the pltf. The W. Court having seen the papers, documents and proofs and further having seriously considered all, that has been brought in on both sides by the parties for the defence, their Worsh^{ps} adjudge and decree that the defend^t is bound, according to the law of exchange to pay the said protested bill; as it was executed and signed by her dec^d husband without any exception or reserve, amounting to the sum of fl. 2550.12 Holland Currency; and whereas it appears that the pltf. out of particular regard neglected to prosecute his action against the deft. or her husband before, it was therefore by plurality of votes decreed, that the pltf. shall be allowed and receive for damage and interest only the sum of fl. 550 Holland amounting together to the sum of fl. 3100 gl. Hollands; and the deft. is condemned to satisfy and pay said sum of fl. 3100 to the pltf., provided the deft. may have her recourse again on whomsoever she thinks proper. And finally, as regards the above demanded book debt, the deft.

is equally condemned to pay it to the pltf., unless she, the deft. can bring in something against it. All with costs.

At a Court of Schout, Burgomasters and schepens of the City N. Orange on the 26 Feb. A^o 1674. The Court complete, except Capt. Knyff.

Mary Matthws appearing is asked, why she does not pay the excise she owes? She gives for answer, that she already paid the excise at the thrashing season on the wines found on guaging at her house. Ordered, that Mary Matthws shall pay for excise fl. 29.4 for wines and beer previously tapped at the surrender of the place without payment of excise.

Pieter Nys appearing was asked for the payment of the excise on some wines found on guaging at his house. He gave for answer, that he entered and paid for said wines and beer at thrashing time.

The Receiver was therefore ordered to erase the same, being fl. 34 from P. Nys a/c. in consideration as above.

Isaack Foreest called in is asked, why he does not pay for some wines and distilled liquors found at his house on gauging? He answers, that he has paid the excise thereon before the surrender of the place, to Pieter Nys. Ordered, that the Collector shall erase fl. 37 as he hath already paid during the English government.

Anna Lysbet is ordered to pay for excise of brandy and jack found after the surrender of the place without rendering the excise on guaging, the sum of fl. 53.5

Dirck van Cleef called in is asked for payment of excise of wines etc found at his house on the first guaging. He answers, that he laid in some of the aforesaid wines in the English government, and paid the excise. He is therefore ordered with his consent to pay fl. 60. And the Collector is ordered to erase the remainder.

Egbert Myndersen was asked for payment of one half anker of rum found on guaging also some beer since the same fl. 39.5. Ordered, that he shall pay the same except fl. 9. 5. which shall be deducted for the rum and to pay fl. 30. balance.

Ariaen Cornelissen is asked for payment of some wines and beer found at his house on the first guaging. Whereunto he gave for answer, that he gave in the wine at thrashing time and drank the beer himself. Ordered, that he shall pay fl. 85 for the first guaging and the Collector is charged to erase the remainder of the first guaging and that one of the

three half barrels shall be deducted on the Burghers excise and the other two on the tapsters excise.

Otte Gerritz entering was asked to pay for 1 anker of rum and half a barrel of beer found on the first guaging. He admits etc. Ordered to pay the excise thereof. Frederick Gysbertsen was asked for payment as above. He answers that there was not so much as was guaged. Ordered to pay amounting to the sum of fl. 340. Here is one anker counted less than was found on the guaging.

Susanna Garland is asked for payment of wine found at her house on the first guaging. She gave for answer that she laid it in for her boarders and that she was willing to pay excise as heretofore. Ordered that she shall pay tapsters excise for the wines found according to the guage. The beer which she laid in, to be free of excise.

Poulus Turck is asked for payment of 1 anker of rum found in the first guaging. He is willing to pay; ordered to pay.

Mr. Cornelis Steenwyck and Corn^e van Ruyven appear in Court and declare they are commissioned by the Hon^{ble} Governor to state regarding the petition previously presented to his Hon^r by this W. Court relative to the furnishing of some monies for the fortifying of this City etc. that his Hon^r having seen and considered the assessment made, the required monies should be borrowed in the form of loans from the richest and wealthiest inhabitants of this City, and that each of the taxed should advance the hundredth penny thereto, which loaned monies should be re-paid from certain extraordinary impost enacted by his Hon^r to be paid for this purpose on all imported and exported Indian goods and merchandizes; stating also further that his Hon^r thought it best to erase from the same some persons, who are least wealthy together with widows etc. and that his Hon^r judged it most proper to make use of the said monies as well to strengthen the Fort and City and for this purpose to appoint two Commissioners to dispose of the receipt and disbursement, in consideration whereof the contributions to be collected for this purpose from Willemstadt and other places should be again used both for the fortification of the City and fort; requesting that this W. Court may give its advice thereupon. Burgomasters and schepens having considered the same, the Governo^r's proposition is approved of by them.

Feb^r 27. At a Court of the W. Heeren Schout Burgomasters and

schepens holden at the City Hall on the 27th Feby A° 1674. Present Jo-
hannis De Peyster, Johannis van Brugh, Ægidius Luyck, Burgomasters ;
Willem Beekman, Jeronimus Ebbing, Jacob Kip, Lourens vander Spiegel,
Guilain Verplanck, Schepens.

Annetje Fabritius, pltf. v/s Jacobus Fabritius, deft. Pltf. replies by
his att^y Allard Anthony. Deft. demands copy of the reply, also copy of
the pet^a last given in by pltf. Copy ordered delivered.

Barentje Jans, pltf. v/s Thomas Taylor, deft. Deft. 2^d default. Pltf.
demands fl. 45 payable in wheat for freight earned for pltf. by her son.

Schout Anth^y de Mil, pltf. v/s Jacobus Fabritius, deft. Pltf. declares
in writing. Deft. demands copy. Copy granted.

Thomas Lewis, pltf. v/s Abraham Lammertsen Mol, Jan Jansen and
Ebert Evertsen, defts. Pltf. demands according to his suit entered on the
last Court day. Deft. answers in writing. Parties are both ordered to
bring in their proofs at the next Court day.

Schout A. de Mil, pltf. v/s Frederick Aerentz draeyer, deft. Deft. 3
default. Pltf. demands punishment for disobedience manifested towards
this Court.

Elias Puddington, pltf. v/s Thomas Williams, deft. Pltf. sues deft.
for the sum of fl. 1192 : 10. accord'g to a/c. for labour earned on a vessel
now lying at N. Haerlem and demands payment according to agreement.
Deft. admits the debt but demands a little delay, as he does not know how
the vessel shall be disposed of. The W. Court condemns deft. to satisfy
and pay the pltf. said debt according to agreement, saving his action on
the vessel.

Dirck Smith, pltf. v/s Jacobus Fabritius, deft. Pltf. demands from
the deft. the sum of fl. 171 : 4 according to a/c for earned freight, and fur-
ther 17 skepels of wheat, which wheat the deft's. wife assigned to pltf., but
it was afterward attached by the deft. Deft. says, he attached nothing,
but what his wife must have from Hans Blocq at the South River for goods
sold, and that the pltf's wife had removed them without consent. The W.
Court having heard the debates on both sides condemn the deft. to satisfy
and pay the said debt from his and his wife's common estate.

James Matthws, pltf., v/s Hendrick Volckersen, deft. Pltf. demands
from deft. according to a/c the sum of fl. 259. 18; demands payment.
Deft. admits the debt, but says he cannot pay before he returns from the

West Indies. The W. Court condemns the deft. to satisfy and pay the pltf. the said debt.

The H^r Schout Anth. de Mil, pltf. v/s Justus Withfield, deft. Deft. in default. Allard Anthony entering demands, that Jacob Leyselaer may be ordered to prosecute his action if he have anything against Pieter Pietersen Meniet. The W. Court orders Pieter Pietersen should notify Jacob Leyselaer for payment of his first judgment.

Luycas Andriesen, Jan Joosten, Francoys Rombouts, have this day taken the oath of allegiance.

Abel Hardenbroeck's wife appearing in Court requests, that execution may issue against Lysbet Claessen on a previous judgment of this W. Court. The W. Court grants it, and orders the Schout to execute said judgment.

Whereas the Gov^r General has communicated by the Secretary to this W. Court, that this W. Court should again appear at the Court of the Governo^r and Council to hear in appeal the case between the Fiscal Knyf against Dirck Smith, or otherwise that this W. Court should persist in writing by their rendered sentence etz.

Whereunto the W. Court can not answer otherwise than that they still persist by the reasons expressed in the judgment rendered and afterward communicated more fully to the Hon. Gov^r by the Commissioners from this Court.

This date is Isaak Kip the Stamper sworn and his instruction is hereunto annexed. Item, it is resolved, that his mark shall be Ⓔ for the small stamp and © for the large stamp used in branding.

Mr. Cornelis Steenwyck appearing in Court demands, that the W. Court will be pleased to pronounce judgment in the case between him and M^r Jacob Varrevanger ; he requests also that the Land Surveyor and the persons commissioned may bring their report unto Court, thus to have quick expedition. The W. Court cannot do any thing therein until the Commissioners have made their report ; which commissioners are hereby required and requested to render a report of their award and arbitration as soon as possible.

Mr. Jacob Varrevanger represents by petition that Mess^{rs} Francoys Rombouts, Leyselaar and the Land Surveyor Corteljouw had progressed in the matter between him and Mr. Steenwyck, but had not determined

to come to a conclusion requesting therefore that the said gentlemen may again be ordered at the cost of the defeated party to apply themselves to the examination of the ground briefs, to measure the ground, to the end that they should then report understandingly to this W. Court.

Apostilled :—The W. Court cannot make any further disposition therein before the Commissioners last appointed shall have given in a report to this Court of their award, how it ought to be, which Commissioners are hereby requested to communicate the same to the W. Court in the speediest manner.

Theunis Cray's wife requesting, that this W. Court may be pleased to order the Officer to put in execution the judgment of the last Mayor's Court, also of this W. Court against Allard Anthony, late Sherrif in the time of the English Government, the said judgment being for victuals and drink on said Sherrif's order delivered to Benjamin Johns and divers other prisoners.

Whereupon the W. Court having examined the a/c and inventory, which said Allard Anthony had rendered of the estate and effects of said Benjamin Johns remaining in his hands; the petition of said Theunis Kray being also communicated to Allard Anthony, who alleges, that said debt must be paid from the public revenue, it is after divers arguments pro and con resolved to submit the said matter by two delegates to the Governo^r General, to follow therein his Hon^{or} order and advice.

Pursuant to the commission of the Worship^{ful} Magistrates, the Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens of this City N. Orange, we the Undersigned have, as *Firewardens*, visited on the 12th January 1674 the houses of all the inhabitants of this City aforesaid and found divers fire places very much exposed to cause a conflagration, wherefore we warned and notified them to remedy and improve the same, thus to prevent mischief; we have also caused the City Crier to publish and make known, that if any one of the inhabitants of this City had by them any City fire buckets they are to deliver them up without delay at the City Hall or to hand them to us Firewardens: we however have not as yet been able to collect more than 57 fire Buckets, three of which are at Abel Hardenbroecks to be repaired; we have also found two old fire hooks with one old fire ladder at the City Hall but they are unfit for use in case of fire or other misfortune; we therefore request Your Worships to be pleased to provide therein, that

so many fire ladders and fire hooks may be made as your Hon^r shall think necessary.

Herewith we remain Your Worships' humble And faithful Subjects and obedient servants.

(was signed)

Jan Van Bresteede

Reynier Willemsen

Jonas Bartelsen

The annexed petition of the Firewardens of this City being considered, read and taken into serious deliberation in Court, as well as their representation of the necessity of making some provision of fire hooks and ladders &c to be used occasionally And in time of fire—

It is apostilled—The petitioners are fully authorized by the W. Court to have made such supply of ladders, hooks and such like materials at the expence of the City as they shall consider to be necessary.

At a Court of the W. Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens holden in the City Hall on the 6th March A^o 1674. Present Johannis de Peyster, Johannis Vanbrugh, Ægidius Luyck, Burgomasters; Willem Beeckman, Jeronimus Ebbingh, Jacob Kip, Lourens van der Spiegel, Guilain Verplanck, Schepens.

Jacob Teunissen, pltf. v/s Cornelis van Borsum, deft. Deft. rejoins. Pltf. demands copy. Copy allowed.

Jan Philipsen, pltf. v/s Marten Creiger, deft. Pltf. in default.

Annetje Fabritius, pltf. v/s Jacobus Fabritius, deft. Deft. rejoins. Pltf. demands copy. Copy allowed. Allard Anthony requests, that the pltf. may have letters from the W. Court to the South river to attach her husbands property there. The W. Court orders the pltf. to apply to the Governo^r and to request it from him.

Abel Hardenbroeck, pltf. v/s Allard Anthony, deft. Deft. delivers in an a/c according to judgment dated 12 Feb. last. Pltf. requests, that he may examine it, etc. Granted and deft. ordered to prove his a/c.

James Matthws, pltf. v/s Jacob Pietersen, deft. Pltf. demands fl. 79. 4 according to a/c.; requests payment. Fees made up fl. 8. Deft. admits the debt and says that Abraham Lubbertsen has accepted to pay it. The W. Court condemns the deft. to pay the aforesaid debt to the pltf. with costs.

The Schout, pltf. v/s Jacob Fabritius, deft. Deft. answers pltf's demand.

The Schout, pltf. v/s Fredrick Arentsen, turner, deft. The Schout complains of some misconduct and disrespect towards this W. Court, and the President complains and says, that the deft. has delivered in a very unreasonable a/c to the City. Deft. excuses himself. The W. Court condemns the deft. for his disobedience towards the Court in a fine of fl. 25, for the benefit of the poor, with costs, and the deft. shall make sufficient bowls for the use of the City, for which he shall receive as much as he was paid in the fort.

The Schout, pltf. v/s Dirck Smith, deft. Pltf. says, that the deft. fought last week with De Vries; he concludes therefore that the deft. shall be condemned in a fine of fl. 25. The Schout is ordered to prove his assertion at the next Court day.

The Schout, pltf. v/s Jan Meyndertsen, deft. Pltf. declares, that the deft. exhibited some disrespect to Lieut Bayard on the City's work, as appears by the declaration of said Lieuten^t. Deft. admits his fault, but denies having said that he was tired of him; prays forgiveness and promises to do so no more.

VOTES.

Burgomast^r de Peyster—that he be forbidden to cart for six weeks.

Burgomaster Luyck—that he shall, according to this Courts order, be deprived of Burghership and dismissed from his place as carman.

Burgomast^r Vanbrugh—that he shall ask Lieut Bayard's pardon and satisfy him.

Schepen Beeckman—six weeks deprivation of citizenship.

Kip, Ebbingh, Vander Spiegel vote as Vanbrugh. Verplanck, 6 weeks deprival of citizenship. The deft. is condemned to ask the Lieut^r pardon and satisfy him.

Ariaen Van Laer, pltf. v/s Hendrick Gillissen, deft. Pltf. demands from deft. 4 pairs of shoes according to handwriting. Deft. admits the debt and says, he offered him the shoes. The W. Court condemns the deft. to deliver middling shoes to the pltf. and pay the costs incurred herein.

The Stamp master appearing request to know, whether he is also to stamp the milk measures, as several persons have been with him about it.

The W. Court decree, that the milk measures shall also be stamped, and that the stamper shall receive 3 stiv. a piece for stamping.

On M^r. Jacob Varrevanger's and Mr. Steenwyck request, the Secretary is ordered to send directions to Jacques Corteljouw in the Name of the W. Court, that he Corteljouw shall forthwith send his report hither.

RESOLVED, to present a petition to the Governo^r, that no vessels nor persons shall leave this City, as it now open water.

Nota : As the time is too short the three Burgomasters are appointed to confer with the Governo^r, regarding the above.

Elias Puddington appearing in Court, produces a judgment against Tho Williams and requests, that the Schout may be ordered to levy execution on it etc. The W. Court having seen the notice served orders the Schout to put said judgment into execution.

On the petition of Matthys and Jacobus de Haert representing in substance that they, as heirs of the estate left by their deceased brother Balth^r de Haert, may be authorized with the curators appointed to proceed in law against every one who may have pretensions against said estate—shewing that such was also the request of the said guardians etc. Appostilled : Whenever the curators and administrators of the said Balth^r de Haert's estate shall make the same request of this Court the petitioners request shall be taken into further consideration.

Mary Matthews appearing in Court requests that, pursuant to judgment obtained against Hendrick Volckersen on the last Court day, she may arrest him, until he shall have paid her according to said judgment. The W. Court allows her to arrest said Volckersen.

Gabriel Minvielle appearing in Court requests, that the Schout may be ordered to put in execution the judgment lately obtained by him against Juffrouw Elizabeth Potter. The W. Court having seen the notice served, allow the petitioners request and order the Schout to put said judgment into execution.

Barentje Jans, pltf. v/s Thomas Taylor, deft. Pltf. demands the sum of fl. 45 in wheat for freight, which her son earned from pltf. and requests payment. Deft. remaining contumacious in not appearing on the third Court day, is condemned for his default to pay the pltf. the fl. 45 debt demanded in wheat with costs.

The Schout, pltf. v/s Justus Whitfield, deft. Pltf. represents, that

the deft. beat without cause Pieter de Riemer and pulled the hair out his head ; he concludes, that the deft. shall be condemned in a fine at the discretion of the Judges. The W. Court having heard the acknowledgment and excuse of the deft. condemn him in a fine of fl. 25 with costs, and order the deft. to leave the said Pieter de Riemer henceforth unmolested.

Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens being assembled *Collegialiter* in the City Hall of the City of N : Orange on the 10th March A^o 1674, having sent for the skippers and barquiers of this City and these appearing, they are informed of the order of the Hon^{ble} Governo^r General, that no more than two sloops shall go at once to Willemstadt and Esopus and one to the South River, and that alternately, according as it shall be determined by lot ; also that they, the skippers, shall not convey any passengers hence without passport. Whereupon said skippers answered as follows :—

Skipper Kip answers, that he thinks it better, that whenever the sloops depart in their turn by lot, according to the Governo^r's order, what they then earn shall be put in a common fund and every one shall then draw his share out according to the size of his sloop.

Ffrederick Hendrickz : and his partner Dirck Francen agree with the above opinion of Skip^r Kip.

Hendrick van de Waater the same advice as above.

Claes Lock, the same as above.

Abraham Jan, carpenter, agrees with the above opinions.

Jan Schouten answers, that the small sloops ought to be allowed to make one voyage for one of the big ones.

Thomas Lewis is satisfied with what the Governo^r' and Council decree.

Jan Jansen Moll agrees with the majority.

Abraham Lubbertsen the same opinion as Skipper Kip above.

Jacob van de Water agrees with the majority.

Dirck Smith requests, that whoever is ready first may make a trip.

Jan Joosten and Luycas, that the first ready may make a trip ; if not, that they are content according as the Governo^r' concludes and determines.

The Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens of this City of N. Orange having presented to the Hon^{ble} Governo^r General the answers of the skip-

pers and barcquiers of this City regarding the sailing alternately according to his Hon^r last order, His Hono^r has resolved and ordered that said skippers and barcquiers shall, according to the majority of their opinions, sail in a common stock, from which common fund each of them shall earn and draw out his share according to the size and proportion of his vessel at the end of the aforesaid alternating time ; and said skippers and barcquiers shall in sailing regulate themselves according to the Hon^{ble} Governo^r Generals order made herein.

Done in the City Hall of the City N : Orange on the 15th March A^o 1674.

At a Court of the W. Schout, Burgomasters, and Schepens holden in the City Hall of the City of N: Orange on the 13th March A^o 1674. Present, Capt. Knyf on behalf of the Governo^r General ; Johannis de Peyster, Johannis Vanbrugh, Ægidius Luyck, Burgomasters ; Willem Beeckman, Jeronimus Ebbingh, Jacob Kip, Lourens van der Spiegel, Guilain Verplanck ; Schepens.

Jacob Teunis^o Kay, pltf. v/s Cornelis van Borsum, deft. Deft. delivers in three more depositions. Ordered to exchange papers and to make deduction.

Abel Hardenbroeck, pltf. v/s Allard Anthony, deft. The W: Court having examined the deft's a/c and heard the arguments of parties on both sides, find that Abel Hardenbroeck owes £1:6:10 to Allard Anthony according to a/c of Jan Copal and it is ordered, that the pltf. pay the deft. the said sum, on condition that the deft. shall return the goods to the pltf., which he has in his hands and each pays his own costs.

Gabriel Minvielle, pltf. v/s Pieter Hessels, deft. Pltf. demands by his atty Allard Anthony from the deft. fl. 21:19 according to a/c. Deft. admits the debt. The W: Court condemns the deft. to pay s^d debt to the pltf. with costs.

Pieter Hessels, pltf. v/s Claes Tyssen, deft. Pltf. demands from the deft. fl. 20 for earned freight. Deft. admits, that he set the pltf. to work, but says it was for Derval etc. Deft. is ordered to pay the sum demanded to the pltf. with costs.

Dirck Wessels, pltf. v/s Jan van Brestede, deft. Pltf. complains, that deft. struck him. Deft says, that he gave pltf. a slap or two on ac-

count of some bad language given him at the work. The Schout adjoins himself in the case with the injured party. Deft. excuses himself. Each is ordered to pay his costs.

The Schout Anthony de Mill, pltf. v/s Dirck Smith, deft. Pltf. demands according to previous declaration. Deft. denies that he struck. The W. Court defer the case to the next Court day, until James Matthws returns, to whom the pltf. refers.

Thomas Lewis, pltf. v/s Abraham Mol, Jan Pietersen and Evert Pels, defts. Pltf. demands, that defts. build his sloop according to agreement and that they indemnify him for the damage caused him by the delay. The W. Court having heard the arguments of parties on both sides and seen the proofs, decree and order defts. to finish the sloop forthwith, before they undertake any other work, according to their agreement and defts. be condemned in the costs.

Jan Cassjer, pltf. v/s Alexander Watts, deft. Pltf. demands from deft. the proceeds of 125 lbs. of biscuit according to handwriting of deft. to his brother Jacques Cassjer and requests payment. Deft. says, the ship is wrecked ; also that the pltf. must run the risk of the bread etc. Deft is ordered to pay the 125 lb demanded or the value thereof at the price here, with costs.

Jan Philip, pltf. v/s Capt. Marten Cregier, deft. Deft in default.

The Schout, pltf. v/s Jan Spiegelaar, deft. Deft. in default.

Allard Anthony appears in Court and for Pieter Pietersen demands, that Jacob Leyselaar, if he have anything against said Pieter Pietersen shall bring it in etc.

From the nomination made by the Under-Schout and Schepens beyond the Fresh water, the W. Court this day elected Ariaen Cornelissen as Commissary, in place of Dirck Jansen Kuyper, who is now gone away from thence, and swore him in in Court.

At a Court of the W. Commissioners Jacob Kip and Sieur Guilain Verplanck holden at the City Hall of the City N: Orange, on the 7th April A^o 1674.

WILLIAM THORNE being apprehended and accused of theft committed by him etc., being brought this day in Court the following interrogatories are proposed to him.

1. How old are you ; what is your name and where were you born ?

1. William Thorne, borne in Dorsetshire in old England ; about 42 years of age.

2. Does he not acknowledge having made the hole into the loft. 2. Denies having made any holes into the loft, but says he was not at home ; also that the loft was so rotten and leaky that the peas and grain frequently fell on the people's heads, where they sat.

3. If he did not take in sacks the grain that fell through the loft ? 3. Denies having taken any grain, but says he heard, that the woman put the grain in a sack, which fell through the loft on the ground.

4. Did he not know it or was he not accessory to it ? 4. Denies all even the least knowledge, either directly or indirectly, thereof.

5. Wherefore then did he not give information of the corn, when it fell thro' ? 5. Says he was not at home when the corn fell thro' the loft, and that he spoke of the corn as soon as he knew of it.

6. Why did he deny that he had in the house any grain but his own ? 6. Says, he stated that of his knowledge he had no other grain than his own in the house.

7. How much grain had he of his own in the house ; And from whom did he receive it ? 7. 1 skepel from F. de Bruyn ; 1 skepel from S. van Vleck ; 1 skepel from P. Groenendyk ; 1 skepel from a soldier ; 3 skepels from Hans Kierstede, and that he cannot now recollect from whom he had other corn.

8. Where had he left the white and grey peas, which were on the loft ? 8. Says, he had no other than a few peas of his own, but that C. van Borssum had peas taken every morning for two months successively from the loft for his hogs by his negro and servant.

9. Where did he leave Paulus Richard's shirts ? 9. Denies knowing anything in the least of them except that Paulus Richard's maid came to him one morning after a very windy night, and asked him, if a child's shirt had not been blown on to his place, whereupon he, William Thorne, answered the maid, he knew nothing of it.

10. Is he married ; to whom and where ? 10. Is married and his wife and child are at Boston.

11. What then has he to do with another woman in the house ? 11. Says, she is his sister in law and that he took her into the house, because she had no other shelter and was away from her friends.

Interrogatories for Elizabeth Kay, apprehended for theft.

1. What is her name, age and place of birth ? 1. Elizabeth Kay, 37 years old, born in old England.

2. Did she not make the hole in the ceiling or enlarge it ? 2. No, but the loft was rotten and not tight.

3. Did she not secrete in a sack the grain, that came through the loft ? 3. The grain fell of itself on her bed, when she took it with a pan and put it in a bag in the corner ; but admits her fault, that she did not immediately make it known and submits to the punishment, which the W. Court shall lay on her but prays forgiveness.

4. When did William Thorne nail the timber against the loft ? 4. She says, that she herself nailed the boards against the loft and that she stopped the holes with rags and often warned Corn^r van Borssum, when the peas lay there.

5. When did she tell William Thorne of the grain ? 5. Not until the Schout took him, Thorne, out of the house.

6. Has she a husband and where ? 6. Yes, she has a husband at Boston, being a barber and she says, she left there, because it was more economical to come ; her husband's hand shakes, so that he cannot follow his trade ; she says also, that William Thorne is innocent and has no knowledge of the matter, etc.

At a Court of the W. Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens holden at the City Hall of the City N : Orange on the 10th April A^o 1674. Present Capt. W^m Knyf on behalf of the Govern^r General ; Johannis De Peyster, Johannis Van Brugh, Ægidius Luyck, Burgomast^r ; Willem Beeckman, Jeronimus Ebbingh, Jacob Kip, Lourens van der Spiegel, Guilain Verplanck, Schepens.

Jacob Leyselaer, pltf. v/s Pieter Pietersen, deft. Pltf. demands in writing 770 lbs. of tobacco paid by his factor Marck Cordea in Maryland to the deft. and 750 lbs of tobacco deducted for 5 half barrels of beer. Deft. demands first satisfaction of the previous judgment and he is then willing and ready to answer the pltf's demand. Ordered, that the pltf. shall first of all pay the previous judgment, when the deft. is ordered to answer pltf's demand.

Cornelis Corsen, pltf. v/s Ralph Hudsonson, arrested and deft. Deft.

in default. The City messenger Henry Newton declares, that he arrested the deft. and he nevertheless broke his arrest.

Jacobus De Haert, pltf. v/s Abel Hardenbroeck, deft. Pltf. sues deft. for fl. 100 for one anker of rum and demands payment. Deft. says, that he drew the anker of rum on Silvester Salisbury's order and name, he being indebted so much to him. The W. Court having heard the arguments of parties and examined the pltf's. book, condemns the deft. to satisfy and pay the demanded sum of fl. 100.

Abel Hardenbroeck, pltf. v/s Mist^{ss} Salisbury, deft. Pltf. demands from the deft. according to a/c the sum of fl. 100. for shoes delivered to her husband. Deft. objects to some items in the a/c. The W. Court having heard the arguments of parties on both sides, condemns the deft. to pay the pltf. the demanded sum of fl. 100, unless the deft. will declare on oath, that she did not receive the first two pairs of shoes, when the said 2 pairs shall be deducted from the fl. 100. further also deducting the ten guilders confessed by the pltf.

Jan Turcot, pltf. v/s Albert Boss, deft. Pltf. says he gave deft. a bugle to repair, which the deft broke; demands another or fl. 20 florins instead. Deft. says, the bugle was bi-valved inside and was not well made and broke in polishing. The W. Court refer the matter to the opinion of Jan Trompetter (the bugler) and Jan Cooly to see, who is in fault and to reconcile parties if possible.

Claes Jansen, baker, pltf. v/s Arent Isaacksen, deft. Pltf. demands in writing possession of his house. Deft. denies having given up the lease of the house. The W. Court having heard the arguments of parties on both sides decree and order, that the deft. shall continue in the lease for the same price and pay as last year, as there is no evidence, that the deft. had surrendered the lease in season to the pltf.

Jan Philipsen, pltf. v/s Capt. Marten Kregier, deft. Deft. in default.

Catharyna Lane, pltf. v/s Dirck Evertsen Fluid, deft. Pltf. sues for the sum of £3 : 2 according to obligation and demands condemnation. Deft. says, he has an offset a/c for freight earned in the conveyance of her goods. Ordered, that deft. shall bring in his offset a/c at the next Court day.

Isaack Foreest, pltf. v/s Susanna Garland, deft. Pltf. demands pay-

ment of fl. 170 : 10 according to a/c. Deft. says, her estate is not yet settled and that she cannot pay, as the Orphan Master has not yet rendered any decision. The W. Court condemns the deft. to pay the sum demanded, unless the estate be found insolvent, when the pltf. shall come in concurrence with the other creditors.

Philip Waldman, pltf. v/s Jan Smedes, deft. Both in default.

Egbert Woutersen, pltf. v/s Ariaen Vincent, deft. Pltf. sues the deft. for the sum of fl. 130— $\frac{1}{2}$ in silver, $\frac{1}{2}$ in beaver, $\frac{1}{2}$ in zeawant, for an ox sold and delivered him ; and demands payment. Deft. admits the debt. The W. Court condemns the deft. to satisfy and pay the sum demanded to the pltf.

Schout Anth : De Mill, pltf. v/s William Thorne, a prisoner, deft. The Schout complains in writing. Deft. denies having had any knowledge of the corn. The W. Court having examined the matter and seen all that is material, find the deft. not guilty. The Schout's demand is therefore dismissed being taken on suspicion, as he had offered Cornel van Borsum payment for said corn.

Ariaen Vincent, pltf. v/s David de Four, deft. Pltf. demands from deft. the sum of fl. 100 for a horse sold him last year, which deft. must pay him in beavers @ fl. 20 the piece. Deft. says, he did not make any agreement, how high the beavers should go. The W. Court condemns the deft. to satisfy and pay the pltf. the sum demanded in beavers @ fl. 20. unless he deft. prove the contrary at the next Court day.

Abraham Kermer, pltf. v/s Jan Raey, deft. Parties agreed.

Schout A: de Mill, pltf. v/s Elisabeth Kay, deft. and prisoner. Pltf. says, that the prisoner on her own confession took and stole between the 4th and 5th of April some skepels of wheat, which fell from above through the loft into the house below, where she dwelt ; he concludes therefore, that the abovenamed Elisabeth Kay shall be brought to the place, where justice is usually executed, be there tied to a stake and severely scourged and further be for ever banished beyond this City's jurisdiction with indemnification of the stolen corn with the costs incurred. The W. Court having heard the Officer's demand and the prisoner's confession, condemns and adjudges said Elisabeth Kay, as it thereby does, to be for ever banished beyond this City's jurisdiction ; also that she, the prisoner, pay the costs and *mises* of Justice for herself and the costs incurred in the

case and imprisonment of William Thorne, as the prisoner is found to have been the cause thereof.

On the petition of Abraham Lammertsen Mol, Evert Pels and Jan Jansen Slot, requesting in substance a rehearing of a previous judgment of 15 March last in behalf of Thomas Lewis, pronounced against them and mentioning some reasons, why they demand it. It is apostilled :— The W. Court persists in said rendered judgment, as the petitⁿ reasons are insufficient to grant a rehearing.

To the W. Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens of the City of N:
Orange, A^o 1674.

The undersigned barcquiers with due respect represent, that a lottery is made to navigate in common with the sloops belonging to this place by turns to Fort Nassau and the Village of Swaenenburgh, according to your Hon^r orders, in a common fund, and whereas it is necessary that one or two persons be appointed to keep the a/cs thereof and to receive the earned freight money, until each sloop shall have made one trip, when each shall then receive his portion thereof according to the size of his sloop ; And whereas some of the skippers are not disposed thereunto, the petition^r request, that Your Worships, in order to prevent all differences, may be pleased to order, that all skippers, whose turn it is to sail, shall on their coming apply to those who shall be appointed to give in the quantity of their freight and pay in the freight money received, in order that as above stated each may receive his portion thereof, which doing we shall remain Your Worships Servants.

Was Signed

Claes Bordingh,
J. van de Water,
S. van Cortlandt

Claes Tyssen,
Claes Lock,
B. Bayard,
Dirck Jansen,
Fred Hendricksen,
Jan Jansen Moll,
Dirck Fransen,
P. Jacobsen Marius,
Abraham Jansen,
Tho^m Lodewyckzen,
Cornelis Criegier.

At a Court of the W. Schout, Burgo-Masters and Schepens of the City New Orange on the 18th April A° 1674.

The annexed petition being read and taken into consideration, it is apostilled as follows :—Whereas Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens find the petitioners' request just, the same is granted and allowed them, and petitioners are hereby authorized to appoint two persons, to whom each skipper on his arrival shall report the quantity of his cargo and deliver for keeping the freight money which it produced, to the end that each may enjoy his just right ; And all and every one of the skippers sailing on the common stock are hereby ordered and charged to observe and obey it.

By Order of the W. Court above mentioned

In Absence of the Secretary,

E. Herman, Clerk.

At a Court of the W: Schout, Burgomasters & Schepens holden at the City Hall of the City N: Orange on the 24th April A° 1674. Capt. Knyff, on the part of the Gov: General, Johannis de Peyster, Johannis Van burgh, Ægidius Luyck, William Beeckman, Jeronimus Ebbingh, Jacob Kip, Lourens van der Spiegel, Guilain Verplanck.

Jacob Leyselaar, pltf. v/s Pieter Pietersen, deft. Pltf. produces certain a/c ; maintains that it ought to be deducted from the judgment pronounced in date. Deft. by his atty. Allard Anthony demands, that the pltf. shall first and foremost satisfy the previous judgment, according to the former order of this W. Court. The W. Court persists in its previous order, that the pltf. shall first and foremost pay the judgment.

Catharina Lane, pltf. v/s Dirck Evertsen Fluyd, deft. Deft. in default. The W. Court orders deft. to bring in his offset a/c at the next Court day on pain of being deprived of his privilege.

Schout Anth. De Milt, pltf. v/s Dirck Siecken, deft. Pltf. says, that he caught the deft. playing dice with two persons last Sunday at his house during preaching and as this is a violation of the Sabbath, he concludes, that the deft. ought to be condemned according to the Placard in a fine of twenty five guilders. The pltf's demand and deft's confession being heard by the W. Court. the deft. is by plurality of votes condemned in a fine of five and twenty guilders pursuant to the tenor of the Placard enacted on that subject.

Jan Philipsen Ringo, pltf. v/s Capt. Marten Cregier, deft. Pltf. by

his att'y Allard Anthony demands from the deft. the sum of fl. 54:15 for earned monthly wages. Deft. produces his offset a/c, by which he proves, that the pltf. is paid and offers to confirm his a/c on oath. The W. Court having examined the a/c and heard the arguments of parties dismiss pltf's action and condemn him in the costs, unless he can prove, that he went for the mast by consent of deft's son, when the deft. shall deduct that item and each shall then pay his own costs.

Abraham Lammertsen Mol and Evert Evertsen, pltf's. v/s Thomas Lewis, deft. Pltf's. request a rehearing of a former judgment pronounced on the 13th March last, bringing forward some reasons for the rehearing requested. The W. Court persists in its former judgment as the reasons are insufficient to grant a rehearing.

Bay Croesvelt, pltf. v/s Jacobus Fabritius, deft. Deft. in default.

Philip Waldman, pltf. v/s Jan Smedes, deft. Both in default.

On M^r. Jacob Varrevanger's petition, requesting in substance an end with Mr. Steenwyck and that instead of the Surveyor Corteljou, who has made no decision nor award of his arbitration, a master mason and carpenter may be appointed to measure the lot in presence of Roubout and Leyselaer. Apostilled

The W. Court shall immediately send for the Surveyor Corteljou and order him to appear here in person and to measure the ground in presence of Roubout and Leyselaer and report his award ; or in case of said Surveyor's further refusal and delay, that the W. Court shall complain to the Governor.

On the skippers' petition representing, that Jan Schouten and Symen Barentsen are unwilling to deliver up the monies to the persons designated notwithstanding the apostille and order of this W : Court dated 18th April last. Apostilled—

The W. Court orders the Schout again to notify said Jan Schouten and Symen Barentsen to obey the order and apostille granted on the 18th instant on the petitioners request or on further refusal this W. Court shall otherwise provide.

On Ambrosius the carman's petition requesting to fill the place of carter. Apostilled

Petitioner's request is at present excused as the number of carmen is full, but whenever a place shall be vacant, the petitioners request will be taken into consideration.

On the petition of the porters of the Weighouse requesting to fill also the office of grain carriers. Apostilled

Petitioners are referred to the Governo^r Genl., as this W. Court is informed, that his Hon^r has already disposed thereof.

On the petition of Jacobus Fabritius, requesting to have an end put to the case between his wife and him, as she was continually postponing the matter, etz ; Apostilled

That his wife Annetje Cornelisen shall deliver in on the next Court day her papers appertaining to the subject or that in case of further delay and postponement judgment shall be rendered ; which shall be notified by the Court Messenger to said Annetje Cornelis to the end, that she plead not ignorance.

On Gabriel Minvielle's petition, requesting in substance, that this W. Court shall please to appoint two indifferent persons to appraise 12 tubs of tobacco left here by James Stavely for petitioners pay ; as the same are not merchantable. Apostilled as follows :—

The W. Court finding, that the petitioners request is just, consent to the same and have thought proper therefore to nominate and authorize H^r Schepen Verplanck and Th: Lewis to appraise said tobacco according to its value and to report their award.

On petition of Margriet Gillisen Lanwaer, requesting that she, the petition^r, may be authorized to resume possession of a lot leased by her to Capt. Matthyas Nicols, as Capt. Nicols is departed. Apostilled

Petitioner is allowed to resume possession of her lot and hold the property thereof.

Dirck Smith requests, that execution may issue on a judgment obtained by him against Jacobus Fabritius on the 27th Feby. last.

The W. Court having seen the notice served orders, that execution shall issue against the joint estate of Jacobus Fabritius and wife.

On Margriet Stuyvesand's petition requesting, that she may take possession of a stable built by Capt. M. Nicolls on her ground, on appraisal of Arbitrators &c. Apostilled—

Petitioner is ordered to summon Sieur Gabriel Minvielle, attorney of Capt. Nicolls, and to furnish him copy of the petition to answer thereunto. Mons^r Corteljouw.

The Court have patiently waited until now for the decision and re-

turn of your arbitration regarding the passage in dispute between M^r. Jacob and Mr. Steenwyck, but remarking your negligence, which is nothing else than indifference and that they are very much importuned from time to time by said M^r. Jacob thereabout, their W. have thought proper again to let you know and to require you to repair hither before next Tuesday to measure the ground in dispute in presence of the gentlemen thereunto previously appointed, and to report the decision to this Worship^l Court ; or by further delay, they shall be constrained to complain to the Governo^r.

Done in the City Hall of the City N: Orange on the 24th Aprill A^o 1674.

At a Court of Schout, Burgomast^r and Schepens, holden in the City Hall of the City N: Orange on the first of May, A^o 1674. Present Anthony De Mill, Schout, Ægidius Luyck, Johannes van Brugh, Johannes De Peyster, Burgomast^r ; Willem Beeckman, Jeronimo Ebbinck, Jacob Kip, Lourens van der Spiegel, Guilaine Verplanck, Schepens.

Jan Hendrickz^a van Gunst, arrestant and pltf., Doct^r Henry Taylor, arrested and deft. Pltf. says, he has attached the sum of fl. 134 in John Shackerly's hands and as deft. does not reside here, he requests that the attachment may be declared valid etz.

Jacobus Fabritius, pltf. v/s Annetje Cornelis, deft. Pltf. demands quick justice and decision in the case between him and his wife. Defts. attorney Allard Anthony requests delay until the next Court day to prepare his papers, as he had the gout in his hands, which this time prevented him. The W. Court grant him time, until the next Court day to explain his papers.

Pieter Pangborne, pltf. v/s Abel Hardenbroeck, deft. The W. Court having understood the case in question, refer it to Jacob Abramsen and Carsten Loursen to reconcile parties if possible, if not to report to the Court.

Catharin Lane, pltf. v/s Dirck Evertsen Floid, deft. The W. Court refer the case in question to Sieur Stephanus van Cortland and Johannes Vermillje to reconcile parties if possible; or otherwise to report to the Court.

Allard Anthony complains, that Dirck Evertse abused him for a rogue. Dirck Evertse denies having said so, but that he said that he was

a rogue, who had written the obligation in sterling money. Allard Anthony is ordered to institute his action properly.

Claas Dietloofs, pltf. v/s Annetje Cornelis, deft. Pltf. complains, that the deft. has abused him as a consummate rogue. Deft. thro' her att'y Allard Anthony denies having said so. The W. Court having heard the Schouts declaration to which the pltf. appeals; absolve the deft. and condemn the pltf. in the costs.

Bay Croesvelt, pltf. v/s Jacobus Fabritius, deft. Pltf. demands from the deft. the sum of fl. 156. 3: as per a/c. Deft. admits the debt, but requests time until he shall be reinstated in his estate and the suit with his wife be terminated. The W. Court condemns the deft. to pay the demanded sum of fl. 156: 3. to the pltf. with costs.

Schout De Mill, pltf. v/s Jannettie de Kleuse, deft. Pltf. says, that the deft. baptized a child of Reformed parents on the 18th of April last, when the father was from home, which is a thing which can never be tolerated by those of the Reformed religion;—he concludes therefore, that the deft. shall be imprisoned and moreover be condemned in a fine of one hundred guilders zewant, with costs. Deft. admits she baptized the child thro' ignorance; and requests forgiveness, if she did wrong. The W. Court having considered the matter and likewise weighed the evil consequences and other inconveniences, which might result and arise therefrom, condemn the deft. for her profanation and disrespect of the Holy Sacrament of Baptism, that she shall be imprisoned and remain there until further order.

Schout De Mill, pltf. v/s Anthony Jansen Sale, deft. Pltf. makes his charge in writing. Defts. wife appears and says, that the Quaker was brought at Nine o'Clock in the evening to her house by Margriet Philips' daughter, who told her at the same time, that the Schout was already notified of said Quaker, etc. Deft. is ordered to prove her statement at the next Court day.

The Schout, pltf. v/s Gysbert van Loon, deft. Pltf. complains of the small loads, which the deft. frequently rides for the City; and that he found him yesterday with one palisade at one time on his cart; whereby the City is greatly defrauded; he therefore requests, that the W: Court shall administer such justice to the deft., that he may be an example to others. Burgomasters and Schepens having heard the defts. excuse and

defence condemn him in a fine of twenty five guilders; and if he attempts to do so again he shall be deprived of his place as carter.

David de Four's wife appears in Court and brings evidence, that she made no agreement with Adriaen Vincent to deliver the beavers at 20 gl. in payment of the horse. The W. Court having heard the evidence decree, that de Four can pay Adriaen Vincent with beaver at 24 guilders a piece.

Stephanus van Cortland appears in Court for himself and for the remaining skippers and barquiers; he requests to know, if Abram Lubbertsen's sloop, which Jan Schouten and Symon Baerentsen hired and were with it to the Esopus, shall make two trips, to wit: once for Jan Schouten and once for Abram Lubbertsen. The W. Court decree, that what Abram Lubbertsen's sloop realized in freight shall come into the common fund, and whenever Abram Lubbertsen's turn comes, not Abram Lubbertsen's but Jan Schouten's sloop shall sail in its place; unless the barquiers can otherwise agree amongst themselves.

On the complaint of the skippers, Christiaen Pietersen is ordered to deliver into the common fund all that he has already earned and shall yet earn and render a due a/c thereof to the other skippers, except only the first trip, which Christiaen shall have made according to the privilege granted him by the Governo^r.

On Jacobus Fabritius petition setting forth, that he intended to return to his house to live with his wife etc. Apostilled: The W. Court orders the petitioner not to presume to enter the house before and until the suit between him and his wife be terminated.

At a Court of Schout, Burgomast^r and Schepens holden at the City Hall of the City N: Orange the 22nd May A^o 1674. Present Capt. Willem Knyf on behalf of the Governo^r; Anthony de Mill, Schout; Egidius Luyck, Johannes van Brugh, Johannes de Peyster, Burgomasters; Willem Beeckman, Jeronimus Ebbingh, Jacob Kipp, Lourens van der Spiegel, Guilaine Verplanck, Schepens.

Thomas Gibbs, pltf. v/s John Archer, deft. Whereas question has arisen between Thomas Gibbs on the one part and John Artcherd on the other part relative to a matter of a/c, therefore the W. Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens have deemed it advisable to nominate and authorize

as arbitrators over said matter, as they hereby do nominate and authorize Sieurs Pieter Jacobsen Marius, Dirck van der Cleef, Thomas Lodewycks and John Shackerly, who are hereby required and requested to examine the a/c, to hear the arguments and if possible to reconcile parties; otherwise to render a report to the Court.

Jan Philipzen Ringo, pltf. v/s Marten Cregier Senior, deft. Pursuant to order and judgment of this W. Court dated 24 April last, pltf. offers by the att'y Allard Anthony depositions of Hendrick Arentsen, to prove thereby that he went for the mast by consent etc. The W. Court having examined said depositions and heard the defts. objections made also the report of defts. son, decree that the pltf's. depositions cannot be received as sufficient and therefore dismiss his demand and condemn him, pltf., in the costs.

Annettie Cornelis, pltf. v/s Jacobus ffabritius, deft. Pltf. declares in writing. Deft. demands copy to answer on the next Court day to this new action being of a criminal nature. The W. Court grant deft. copy. The Schout adjoins himself in the action with the injured party.

Schout De Mill, pltf. v/s Anthony Jansen Sallee, deft. Pltf. says, that in the night between the 28th and 29th of April the deft. suffered an Englishman, named Edward Bambri, dwelling at Martenaar's Neck, to sleep (at his house) which is directly contrary to the Placard of the Hon^{ble} Govern^r General enacted on that subject; therefore he concludes, that the deft. ought pursuant to said Placard be condemned in a fine of fl. 600 with costs. The W. Court having heard pltf's. demand asked the deft. if she could, pursuant to the order of the last Court day, prove, that when Marg^t Philips daughter brought the Englishman to her house, the said daughter stated, the said Englishman was already returned to the Schout etc. Deft. replies, that she has no other proof than her husband and child. The W. Court having heard the denial of Marg^t Philips and her said daughter hold the case in deliberation until the next Court day. Meanwhile their worships shall further examine the Placard.

Anthony Jansen Salée, pltf. v/s Margriet Philips, deft. Pltf. says, that the defts. daughter brought an Englishman to lodge at his house, saying that the Schout was already notified about him, but such not being the case, the Schout now proceeds against him. Deft. denies it and says, she never saw the Englishman before, but that he came to her

house and requested a night's lodging, whereupon thro' charity she gave him 1 English and 1 Holland shilling and sent him with her daughter to the pltf. to find out, where the said Englishman could lodge for money—but never ordered her daughter to say so,—who being called in denies having told the pltf. so. The Court postpones the case until the next Court day.

Pieter Groenendyck, pltf. v/s Justus Witfield, deft. Pltf. complains and says, that notwithstanding orders to the contrary, he was assaulted by the deft. on the same day, that justice was executed on the three soldiers on the Flat near the Mill, and his clothes torn from his body without he in the least having given the deft. any cause therefor; pltf. therefore demands, that deft. may be ordered to make good to him the torn clothes and moreover be strictly interdicted any more to assault him in a similar manner: all with costs. Deft. denies having done what he is charged with; and demands copy to answer thereunto at the next Court day, which is granted him by the W. Court.

Schout de Mill, pltf. v/s Justus Whitfield, deft. Pltf. sues according to suit entered in writing for the assault on Pieter Groenendyck. Deft. requests copy of the demand and time to bring in his depositions and proofs. Deft. is allowed time until the next Court day.

Jan de fforest, pltf. v/s Anna ffelle, deft. Pltf. sues deft. for the sum of fl. 170. for curing a negro, who met with a very bad accident, also for medicine furnished deft. and children; whereon he acknowledges to have received fl. 56., balance due being one hundred and fourteen guilders; he demands payment. Deft. admits the debt, but says she agreed with the pltf., that he pltf. should wait until Cousseau, the negro's master had come. The W. Court having heard parties' arguments condemns the deft. to pay the sum demanded to the pltf. deducting what deft. may have paid thereon.

Jan Shackerly, pltf. v/s Jan Corsen, deft. Deft. in default.

Jan Stevensen, pltf. v/s Thomas Taylor, deft. Deft. in default.

Mettie Wessels, pltf. v/s Anthony de Mill, deft. Pltf. says, that the deft. had yesterday morning used force and violence against her at her own house, having opened a door, that was closed and took away by force two gutters, which she bought and paid for; directly contrary to all laws etc. Therefore pltf. demands respectfully as a widow, that she may

be protected by your Worships and the deft. be condemned to bring the gutters back to the place, from whence he took them and pay moreover such fine for the poor as your Worships may deem proper, with costs. Deft. protests against the demand saying that, they are his gutters, which the pltf. without his knowledge or consent had taken away from the place he had laid them. Thereupon he took them back with the City Messenger by express orders of the President Burgomaster. Burgomaster Luyck, Schepens Van der Spiegel and Verplanck with Adolf Pietersen testify, that the matter is, as the deft. has declared with other circumstances. Burgomaster Luyck requests, that the pltf. shall prove as she declares in her demand, that the deft. used force and violence towards her. Ordered that the pltf. shall prove so.

The attorney Allard Anthony produces in Court all his papers and documents made use of in the action of Annetie Cornelis against her husband Jacobus Fabritius; declaring further that it was all he could bring in; requests therefore that the Magistrates of the Court should pronounce sentence hereupon.

Jacobus ffabritius this day did likewise; requesting that judgment may be pronounced thereon.

Dirck Jansen de Groot, pltf. v/s Hendrick Bosch, deft. The question of parties being for the outfit of defts. late clerk Bruyn Hagens etc. Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens have thought proper to refer the matter to Jacob Teunissen Kay and Jonas Bartelsen to reconcile parties if possible, or otherwise to report to the Court.

On petition of Ambroos de Weerhem he was appointed to and confirmed in the place of Wolphert Webber as carman of this City, the latter having retired.

EXTRAORDINARY Court of Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens holden at the City Hall of the City N: Orange the 24th May, A^o 1674.

Jan Poppen, arrestant and pltf. v/s Balthazaer Stuyvesand, arrested and deft. Pltf. demands, that deft. give to M^r Corn^s Steenwyck an a/c of a case of candles, which the said Stenwyck had given him, pltf., on his last voyage to Curaçao to sell for him there to the best advantage, or if he could not sell them to hand them over to the deft., which he did. Deft. admits having received the case of candles from the pltf's hands, with

orders to sell the same for the best advantage of the pltf. and to do therewith as if they were his own, and he so sold said candles and for a part of the proceeds thereof bought a negro for Jan Poppen's a/c. and marked the same with Jan Poppen's mark, which negro has since died. Pltf. admits having given deft. such order, namely that he, the deft., should sell the candles to the best advantage and do thereby as if they were his own, etc. Deft. offers to confirm by oath, that he bought such negro for that money, and that said negro died; saying there only remained 11 @ 12 guilders and that he bought the negro for $24\frac{1}{2}$ or $24\frac{1}{4}$ pieces of eight. The W. Court having heard the debates of parties and taken the matter into serious consideration, decree that as the deft. had a general order from Jan Poppen to sell the candles to the best advantage as if his own and that the deft. according to his statement has done so, that the loss of the negro shall be for pltf's. a/c. on condition that the deft. shall if pltf. require it, confirm by oath, that he bought the negro with part of the proceeds of the candles, and that said negro died; the pltf. is further condemned in the costs accrued herein.

At a Court of Schout, Burgomast^r and Schepens holden at the City Hall of the City N: Orange the 29th May A^o 1674. Present Capt. Willem Knyff, Anthony De Mill, Schout; Ægidius Luyck, Johannes van Brugh, Johannes De Peyster, Burgomast^r; Jeronimus Ebbingh, Jacob Kipp, Lourens v: Spiegel, Guilaine Verplanck, Schepens.

Balthazaer Stuyvesand, pltf. v/s Dirck Jansen van Deventer, deft. Pltf. declares, that the deft. had hired himself to him, pltf., in presence of divers witnesses to make a voyage with him, pltf., in his yacht to Curaçao, but the deft. by his going away has nullified it again, which tends greatly to pltf's. damage; demands, that the deft. be condemned to pay the costs incurred in drawing the contract, with costs. The W: Court having heard the arguments of parties, also the defts. excuse, condemns him to satisfy and pay the pltf. the costs incurred in drawing the agreement; also the costs of suit.

Thomas Gibbs, pltf. v/s John Archer, deft. The arbitrators formerly appointed deliver the report of their award, wherein they declare, that they have closed the a/c between parties; but refer the other a/cs regarding the expences incurred on the house, back to this W. Court.

Whereupon the W. Court having heard the arguments of parties on both sides, and examined a contract between them, order them to observe and fulfill their said contract.

Mr. Cornelis Steenwyck, pltf. v/s Jan Poppen, deft. Pltf. demands the proceeds of 433½ lbs. of candles given to the deft. on his last voyage to the Island of Curaçao, to be sold there for the best advantage of him, the pltf., or if the deft. could not sell them then to deliver them into the hands of Balthazaar Stuyvesand. Deft. replies and says, that he had according to orders left said candles in the hands of said Stuyvesand with orders to be sold there to the best advantage; also that the candles when he delivered them were much injured and melted together. The W. Court decree, that Jan Poppen shall be credited in the a/c ag't Mr. Steenwyck with so many of the candles, as Balthazar Stuyvesand admits in a/c. to have received; and for the balance it shall be made good to the pltf. by the deft. or he shall give account, where they remain, as it appears that deft. according to order left the candles in B. Stuyvesands hands.

Jacob Teunissen Kay, pltf. v/s Cornelis van Borsum, deft. Pltf. delivers into Court his papers and documents to make his deduction etc. Deft. ordered to deliver in his papers in like manner by the next Court day.

Jan Shackerly, pltf. v/s Jan Corsen, deft. Pltf. sues the deft. for the sum of fl. 84. Holland currency for goods sold to deft.; demands condemnation with costs. The defts. 2nd default. The W. Court orders the pltf. to furnish deft. copy of the demand to answer thereunto at the next Court day.

Jan Stevensen, pltf. v/s Thomas Taylor, deft. Pltf. demands from deft. four months and 8 days rent at fl. 250. per annum and asks for judgment. Defts. 2^d default. The W. Court orders, that the pltf. shall furnish the deft. copy of the demand to answer thereunto at the next Court day.

Pieter Groenendyck, pltf. v/s Justus Witfield, deft. Pltf. says, he was very badly treated and assaulted by the deft. on the day when justice was executed on the three soldiers and the clothes torn from his body, without the pltf. having given the deft. the least reason for it. The pltf. therefore requests that the deft. may be forbidden to trouble him any

more, making good the torn clothes, with costs. The W. Court having heard defts. excuse, condemns him to have the pltf's torn clothes properly repaired, and hereby strictly order the deft. not to molest the pltf. henceforward and finally to pay the costs. Costs fl. 13. incurred herein.

Schout De Mill, pltf. v/s Justus Witfield, deft. Pltf. says, that deft. returning home on the 4th May last as soon as justice was executed on the 3 soldiers treated very ill Pieter Groenendyck, tearing the coat off his body etz, as appears by the depositions annexed: he concludes therefore, as it is a contempt of Court, which has been committed and must be considered a public street assault, that the deft. shall be condemned in a fine of three hundred guilders or otherwise punished according to his deserts etz. Burgomasters and Schepens having heard the defts. excuse and examined the declarations, condemn him in a fine of fl. 25. zewant value for the benefit of the Schout, with costs.

ffrederik Gysbertsen, pltf. v/s ffrancois Miserty, deft. Pltf. produces an assignment for the sum of fl. 74, which the deft. had passed to Sieur Bedloo A° 1672, which assignment was refused by Sieur Bedloo as he, deft., had no more to the good; pltf. therefore demands payment with costs. Deft. denies having given the assignment and saying, he is not indebted to the pltf. he offers to take his oath that the hand signature under the assignment is not his. The Schout adjoins himself in the action to the injured party.

Jannettie Cregier, pltf. v/s Jan Smedes, deft. Pltf. demands from deft. according to handwriting the quantity of twelve beavers and asks for judgment. Deft. says, he has no beavers at present, but he is willing to satisfy pltf. in any other sort of pay. The W. Court condemns the deft. to satisfy and pay the pltf. the sum demanded according to obligation.

Jannettie Cregier, pltf. v/s Luycas van Tienhoven, deft. Pltf. demands from deft. the quantity of six beavers; requests payment, with costs. Deft. admits the debt. The W. Court condemns the deft. to satisfy and pay the pltf. the debt demanded according to acknowledgment, with costs.

Jannettie Cregier, pltf. v/s Jan de fforeest, deft. Pltf. says, the deft. owes her for a beast the quantity of three beavers; which the deft. holds for a pretended debt; requests that deft. be ordered to pay. Deft. claims from the pltf. as per a/c the sum of fl. — for curing a certain

accident and other medicines. The W. Court orders deft. to pay pltf. one beaver on the beast and to pay costs incurred herein.

Mathys De Haert, pltf. v/s William Thorne, deft. Pltf. demands from deft. the quantity of 30 Boston shilings for a hat sold him; demands judgement with costs. Defts. 2^d default. Ordered that the pltf. shall furnish deft. copy of his demand to answer thereunto at the next Court day.

Schout Anthony de Mill, pltf. v/s Anthony Jansen van Salee, deft. Pltf. says, that the deft. furnished lodging in the night between the 28th and 29th of April to an Englishman, named Edwaert Bambri, residing at Martenaers Neck, which is directly contrary to the Placard made on that subject: he concludes therefore, that the deft. shall be condemned according to said Placard in a fine of fl. 600 in beavers with costs. Burgomasters and Schepens having heard defts. excuse condemn him (for reasons) only in a fine of one beaver, with costs.

Schout De Mill, pltf. v/s Mettie Wessels, deft. Pltf. makes his charge in writing. Deft. by her att^y Allard Anthony demands copy to answer thereunto at the next Court day. Copy granted.

Schout De Mill, pltf. v/s Dirck Wesselsen, deft. Deft. in default.

Jan Hendrickzen van Gunst, pltf. v/s Pieter Jansen van Werckendam, deft. Deft. in default.

James Mattheus, pltf. v/s John Cooly, deft. Deft. in default.

Pieter Philip Waltman, pltf. v/s Jan Smedes, deft. Pltf. in default.

Luycas van Tienhoven, pltf. v/s Albert Hendricksen, deft. Deft. in default.

Annettie Cornelis, pltf. v/s Jacobus Ffabritius, deft. Deft. ordered to answer at the next Court day.

Jan de fforeest appearing in Court requests, that execution may issue on the judgment dated 22^d May last pronounced against Anna ffele. Burgomasters and Schepens having seen the notice served with the said Anna ffele's answer thereunto, order and charge the Schout to put said judgment in execution.

Pieter Stoutenburgh, Jan Vinge, Luycas van Tienhoven and Abram Verplanck requesting by petition satisfaction for the land taken from them in and about the City fort. Apostilled:—The Magistrates of the Court will communicate the petition to the Governo^r

WHEREAS Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens of the City of N: Orange had appointed heretofore Sieurs francoys Rombouts and Jacob Leyselaer with the Surveyor Corteljouw to measure the passage and ground in dispute between M: Jacob Varrevanger and M: Steenwyck, and to examine the ground briefs, etz. Whereas said Rombouts and Leyselaer are not now present to superintend said measurement, the Schout and Burgomast^r have therefore thought fit to adjoin to the aforesaid Surveyor Adolf Pietersen, and Gerrit Jansen Roos, in the place of said absent persons, who are authorized and requested in presence of the Schepens W. Beeckman and Geleyn Verplanck to measure equally the passage and ground in question, to examine the ground briefs and to reconcile parties if possible, otherwise to report their award to the Court on the next Court day. Done New Orange the 2 June 1674.

At a Court of the W: Burgomasters holden at the City Hall of the City N: Orange on the 4 June 1674. Present Capt. Knyf, for the Governo^r; Ægidius Luyck, Johannis van Brugh, Johannis de Peyster, Burgomasters.

The Burgomasters communicated to the petition^r and barquiers the order of the Governo^r regarding the release of the yachts etc, so that each of them may depart from hence when they think proper: It is further proposed to and demanded of them as the turn of all the yachts has not gone round, whether they had rather, that all that has been already earned by the skippers who have made trips should be divided in common now or whether they thought it better, that those who had already sailed should lie by so long, until the others also shall have made a trip and then to divide all that has been earned etz. Having heard the opinions of the majority of the skippers on the above, their W: resolved and concluded to speak to the Governo^r before any further disposition be made therein.

At a Court of Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens holden at the City Hall of the City N: Orange, the 5th June A^o 1674. Present Capt. Willem Knyf, Anthony de Mill, Schout; Ægidius Luyck, Johannes van Brugh, Johannes De Peyster, Burgomasters; William Beeckman, Jeronimus Ebbinck, Jacob Kipp, Lourens van der Spiegel, Guilaine Verplanck, Schepens.

Thomas Gibbs, pltf. v/s John Archerd, deft. The W. Court have

thought fit to refer this case again to the hereinbefore appointed arbitrators, to wit, to Sieurs Pieter Jacobsen Marius, Dirck van der Clyff, Thomas Lewis and John Schackerly with recommendation to examine the contract and a/c between parties and if possible to reconcile them; otherwise to report to the Court.

Burgomast^r A. Luyck, pltf. v/s John Cooly, smith, deft. Pltf. demands from the deft. according to balance and settlement the sum of six hundred and fifty two guilders and sixteen stivers; requesting condemnation. Deft. admits the debt and requests a little delay. The W: Court condemns the deft. to satisfy and pay the pltf. the sum of fl. 652 demanded.

Cornelis van Borsum, pltf. v/s ffredrick Lubbertse, deft. Pltf's wife appears in Court and suing the deft. for thirteen beavers according to settlement for yearly money to her former dec^d husband demands judgment. Deft. denies owing 13 beavers, but whatever it is is included and contained in a purchase of a house made with pltf's son Hans Kierstede etc. Pltf. is ordered to prove, that deft. owes her 13 beavers according to settlement.

ffredrick Lubbertsen, pltf. v/s Hans Kierstede, deft. Pltf. says, that the deft. had caused to be included and annulled in the purchase of a house made with him, deft., the yearly salary which he, the pltf., owed his dec^d father Hans Kierstede the elder. He demands therefore to be discharged from defts. mothers claim, who has applied to him for it. Deft. admits his own fees as surgeon were included in the purchase of the house, but not his fathers yearmoney; produces the deed of sale executed before the Notary Bogardus etz. The W.Court having heard the arguments on both sides and seen the contract, the pltf's demand is dismissed and he is condemned in the costs.

Dirck van der Cleef, pltf. v/s Huygh Barentsen de Kleyn, deft. Pltf. says, he had heretofore laid ten hhds of tobacco in the cellar under the house occupied by the deft., which tobacco the deft. refuses to restore to him without first receiving an unreasonable storage for it. He demands, that this W. Court will be pleased to dispose thereof. Burgomasters and Schepens having heard the arguments of parties, order the deft. to let the pltf. have the tobacco provided he shall pay cellar storage @ 5 guilders per month, and each to pay his own costs.

ffrederik Gysbertse, pltf. v/s ffrancois Chartier, deft. Pltf. demands from the deft. the sum of fl. 74 according to assignment made by deft. in the year 1672 on Sieur Bedloo, but not paid, as the deft. had no funds then with Sieur Bedloo. Pltf. therefore demands judgment with costs. The W. Court having heard the deft's acknowledgment condemns him to pay the pltf. the demanded sum of fl. 74. with costs.

Luyckas van Tienhoven, pltf. v/s Albert Hendricksen, deft. Pltf. demands from deft. the sum of fl. 40 or two beavers for surgeon's fees for a certain accident, with costs. Defts. 2^d default. Ordered, that pltf. shall furnish copy hereof to the deft. to answer thereunto at the next Court day.

Jacob Teunisen Kay, pltf. v/s Cornelis van Borsum, deft. Deft. is ordered to hand in his paper before next Friday, when the Magistrates of the Court will pronounce judgment. The Schout demands one hundred guilders for the blood letting on both sides.

Mathys De Haert, pltf. v/s William Thorne, deft. Pltf. sues deft. for the sum of thirty Boston shillings for a hat sold him and demands judgment ; with costs.

Deft. remaining contumax in appearance on the third Court day and in defending his cause, he is condemned on his default to pay the pltf. the sum demanded, with costs.

Margrieta Stuyvesand, pltf. v/s The curators of B. d' Haert, dec^d, defts. Pltf. sues in writing. Deft. is ordered to answer in writing the pltf's demand on the next Court day.

Annettie Cornelis, pltf. v/s Jacobus ffabritius, deft. Deft. answers pltf's preceding demand. Pltf. demands copy. Copy granted.

Luycas van Tienhoven, pltf. v/s Andries Jochemsen, deft. Deft. in default.

Jacob Teunissen Kay, pltf. v/s Gabriell Minvielle, deft. Deft. in default.

James Matheus, pltf. v/s Simon Jansen Romyn, deft. Deft. in default.

James Matheus, pltf. v/s John Cooly, deft. Parties agreed.

Pursuant to an order made by the W: Burgomasters on the 2^d inst. the appointed persons deliver into Court their award regarding the passage and grounds in question between M^r Jacob Varrevanger and M^r Cornelis Steenwyck, which is as follows:—

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Pursuant to the annexed authorization, we the undersigned have attended the survey made this day by the sworn Surveyor in presence of Schepens Beeckman and Verplanck and us, and having examined the ground briefs of the litigating parties we find, that each of them occupy their ground correctly according to the aforesaid ground briefs; therefore decide, that M^r Jacob Varrevanger properly owns the passage in question. In testimony have signed these in N: Orange the 2^d June 1674.

(Was Signed) Adolf Pietersen,

Gerret Jansen Roos.

This case shall be determined next Court day; meanwhile copy hereof shall be furnished to the litigating parties.

On Jan Cooly's petition requesting in substance to come in concurrence with the other creditors of the estate of the M^r francois Lovelace etz. Apostilled:—Petitioner has to address himself in this regard to the appointed Commissioners of said estate, and to represent it to them.

At a Court of Schout, Burgomast^r and Schepens (with Capt. Willem Knyf presiding in place of the H^r Governo^r holden at the City Hall of the City N: Orange the 8th June A^o 1674.

Having considered and read the papers, documents and other proofs produced in Court in the case between Annettie Cornelissen, pltf. v/s Jacobus ffabritius, deft., the W. Court decree, and orders, that the parties comport themselves, as they ought to in order that they may win back again each others affection, leaving each other meanwhile unmolested: and regarding their estate and property it is ordered, that the promised fl. 1500. shall first and foremost be paid and satisfied to the children of said Annettie Cornelissen by a former Marriage for their patrimony out of the estate and then the remainder shall remain in common between them both, the debts contracted to date being previously paid therefrom.

At a Court of the W. Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens with Capt. Willem Knyf presiding in place of the Governo^r holden at the City Hall of the City N: Orange the 9th June A^o 1674.

The Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens having this day seen and examined the produced ground briefs and other evidence together with

the report of the two lately appointed persons respecting a passage in question between M^r Jacob Varrevanger, as attorney of Poulus Leendersen v^m Grift, on the one side, and M^r Cornelis Steenwyck on the other side, it was by plurality of votes decreed that, according to the ground briefs of the aforesaid Poulus Leendersen dated 19th July, 1649, and the confirmation of Govern^r R. Nicolls dated 13 July, 1667, granted unto him, as well as the general confirmation of Govern^r Nicols dated 25th July 1667 granted to the H Steenwyck; also according to the last survey made by the Surveyor Corteljouw, Adolf Pietersen and Gerrit Jansen Roos in presence of the deputed Schepens Beeckman and Verplanck, the passage in question belongs according to the abovementioned evidence to the lot of Poulus Leendersen; therefore M^r Steenwycks pretence is dismissed and he is condemned in the costs incurred herein.

The cause of Jacob Teunissen De Kay v/s Cornelis van Borsum is on said Kays petition left undecided, as they had mutually agreed to refer it to arbitrators; but as the Court are now stopped therein, the said Jacob is notified, that if they do not now agree, they must incur the costs of an extraordinary Court, etz.

At a Court of Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens, holden in the City Hall the 12th June A^o 1674.

Present Capt. Willem Knyff, Anthony de Mill, Schout; Ægidius Luyck, Johannes van Brugh, Johannes De Peyster, Burgomasters; Willem Beeckman, Jeronimus Ebbinck, Jacob Kipp, Lourens van der Spiegel, Guilaine Verplanck, Schepens.

Margrieta Stuyvesand, pltf. v/s The curators of B: d' Haert, dec^d, deft. Whereas the defts. has not answered the pltf's. demand according to order of the last Court day, it is directed that this shall be entered as a default and on defts' petition, that this W. Court shall please ex officio to order or permit some person to attend to their cause, it is apostilled: That the defts. may empower some person to attend to their cause.

Jacob Teunissen Kay, pltf. v/s Gabriell Minvielle, deft. Defts. 2^d default. Pltf. demands from the deft. according to obligation the sum of fl. 1374 and requests sequestration of the monies. The W. Court grants sequestration.

Jannettie Cregier, pltf. v/s Geertie Jansen, deft. Pltf. demands res-

titution of a gold ring given to her, deft., in pledge for fl. 49 zewant rent. Deft. is willing to restore the ring, whenever the pltf. pays her in beavers or butter according to agreement. The W. Court condemns the pltf. to pay the debt to the deft. according to agreement first ; when the deft. shall restore the ring, and the pltf. is condemned in the costs incurred herein.

Schout A : de Mill, pltf. v/s Mettie Wessells, deft. Deft. answers pltf's demand. Pltf. requests copy to answer thereunto at the next Court day. Copy granted.

Schout De Mill, pltf. v/s Dirck Wesselsen, deft. Pltf. says, that an Indian brought him some goats on the 20th May last, which the Schepen Verplanck had bought for him, pltf., but as it was Sunday and he would not let them be removed from the canoe before sundown, the said Indian meanwhile sold them again to the deft. Afterwards pltf. agreed with the deft. in presence of Burgomast^r Luyck, Schepens van der Spiegel and Verplanck, that he, the pltf., should have the goats and the Indian bring back others in three or four days for the deft. or that in default thereof the pltf. should make good the defts. disbursed monies, and as the goats are now brought by the Indian the deft. refuses to receive them. Pltf. demands, that deft. may take them or assume to himself the damage, with the costs incurred and still to be incurred. Deft. admits, that what the pltf. alleges is true, but says the goats are not as good as the first. The W. Court having heard the deft. admission orders him to receive the goats, provided they are as good as the first or otherwise to settle it by award of Arbitrators.

For the case in question between Jan Turcot, pltf. v/s Anthony Lepinar, deft., the W. Court nominated and authorized as arbitrators, Sieurs Gabriell Minvielle and Paulus Richard, who are hereby requested to examine the a/cs of parties and if possible to reconcile them or otherwise to report their award at the next Court day.

For the Case in question between Jan Oerye, pltf. v/s Anthony Lepinar, deft., are in like manner nominated and authorized as arbitrators Sieur G : Minvielle and Paulus Richard to reconcile parties or to report to the Court.

Willemtie van Lyden, pltf. v/s Albertus Ringo, deft. Pltf. demands from the deft. restitution of a testament and psalm book, which the deft. bartered from her son Pons Jansen. The W. Court having heard the

defts. answer, orders that Pons Jansen shall appear on the next Court day in person to say, how it was with the barter of the books, etz.

Thomas Gibbs, pltf. v/s John Archard, deft. Deft. in default.

Claes Pietersen, pltf. v/s Pieter van Brestede, deft. Deft. in default.

On petition of Jacob Teunissen de Key representing in substance, that he has not as yet terminated with Cornelis van Borsum, although he had with consent of the said Van Borsum referred the case to arbitrators ; requesting therefore that this W. Court would de novo be pleased to appoint a day to pronounce a definitive judgment thereupon etc. Apos-tilled :—The W. Court shall make it convenient to examine the witnesses and other evidence of the parties on next Saturday at two o'clock of the afternoon, when they shall have to repair there.

Burgomast^r Luyck reports to the Court, that he had some conference with the Governo^r relative to a petition presented in date 29th May last to this W. Court by Jan Vinge, Pieter Stoutenburgh, Abram Verplanck, and Luycas van Tienhoven relative to some land taken for the City's use near the fortifications, for which they demand satisfaction etz. The Hon^{ble} Governo^r gave for answer, that the persons, who had been formerly appointed to appraise the houses, gardens etc now should also appraise the lands included and that petitioners should be satisfied.

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Whereas complaints have been made to me that some persons neglect and refuse to pay the BookKeeper Jacobus van de Waeter the hundredth penny, which pursuant to the assessment made and the consequent publication thereon dated 19 Feb^r and 17 March last past was ordered to be raised by form of loan for the payment of the incurred and still to be incurred expences in the reparation of the fortifications on the Island Manhatans, I have, therefore, thought necessary hereby to order and direct the W. Court of this City of N : Orange to proceed by immediate execution, without distinction of persons against the negligent or contumacious.

Done ffort Willem Hendrik the 12 June A^o 1674.

Was Signed

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On the date aforesaid appeared M^r Steenwyck at the Court of Burgomasters and Schepens and declares to appeal from the judgment pro-

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nounced between him and M^r Jacob Varrevanger, dated last respecting a passage in question between them.

Extraordinary Court of Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens holden at the City Hall of the City N : Orange the 16th June A^o 1674. Present Capt. Willem Knyff presiding on the part of the Govern^r Anthony de Mill, Schout ; Ægidius Luyck, Johannis De Peyster, Burgomasters : Willem Beeckman, Jeronimus Ebbinck, Jacob Kipp, Lour v. Spiegell, Guilaine Verplanck, Schepens.

Burgomasters and Schepens having seen and read the papers documents and depositions produced in the cause between Jacob Teunissen de Key, pltf. v/s Cornelis van Borsum, deft. and the respective witnesses having had communication again of their depositions, who, on the pltf's side persist by their declarations but some alteration and doubt has been made by those on deft's side—the Court decides that whereas of itself it appears proved, that Cornelis van Borsum was the first fomentor of the quarrel, therefore he is ordered to let the said Jacob Teunissen be henceforth unmolested, paying the costs of suit incurred on both sides ; and further on the demand and complaint of the Schout made against the guilty party, Cornelis van Borsum is condemned in the fine and penalty of fifty guilders in merchantable beavers at 8 gl. the beaver to be applied for the benefit of the Schout abovenamed.

At a Court holden in the City Hall of the City N. Orange the 19th June A^o 1674. Present Capt. Willem Knyff proses in loco Dom^o Gubernatorij —Anthony De Mill, Schout, Ægidius Luyck, Johannis van Brugh, Johannis de Peyster, Burgomast^r ; Willem Beeckman, Jeronimus Ebbinck, Jacob Kipp, Lourens vander Spiegell, Guilaine Verplanck, Schepens.

Thomas Gibbs, pltf. v/s John Archerd, deft. Deft's 2^d default. Pltf. demands that deft. may be ordered to pay the costs due in the suit between them both. Pltf. is ordered to prove at the next Court day, how nearly the parties agreed about the costs in presence of the last arbitrators.

Jacob Teunissen de Key, pltf. v/s Gabriell Minvielle, deft. Deft. appears and offers in place of sequestration to give security. The W. Court orders him to give security.

Margrieta Stuyvesand, pltf. v/s The curators of the estate left by Balthaz^r De Haert, defts. The defts answer in writing pltf's demand

and accuse the pltf. of theft etz. The Schout adjoins him in the action to the injured party. Pltf. by her att'y A : Anthony demands copy of the reply to answer thereunto. The W. Court : *Fiat copy.*

Jan Jacobsen, pltf. v/s Dirck Van der Cleef and Jan vande Waeter as curators of John Ryders estate, defts. Pltf. demands from the estate of John Ryder, over which defts are appointed curators, a quantity of rum, with costs. Defts reply, that they are ignorant of the matter and that the pltf. had never delivered them any a/c. The W. Court non-suit pltf.

Jan de fforeest, pltf. v/s Jannettie Cregier, deft. Pltf. represents, that in the last judgment pronounced between him and deft, there was a mistake ; requests that the matter may be again revised, which being done by the W. Court and the defts answer being heard they order, that the pltf. shall deduct and pay the deft. only 12 ^{lbs} of butter received by him instead of one beaver.

Anthony de Mill, pltf. v/s Mettie Wessels, pltf. Pltf. replies. Deft. demands copy of the paper to answer thereunto. Which is granted to deft.

Luycas van Tienhoven, pltf. v/s Albertus Hendricksen, deft, Pltf. demands from deft. for curing an accident the sum of fl. 40 or two beavers according to agreement made together. Deft. says, the pltf. did not cure him entirely. The W. Court having heard the arguments of parties together with the defts acknowledgment, condemn him to satisfy and pay the pltf. the sum of fl. 30 with costs.

For the case in question between Nicolaes Willem Stuyvesand on the one side and Jan Hendricks Kyckuyt on the other, the W. Court has nominated and authorized as arbitrators Johannes Van Couwenhoven and Wolfhert Webber, who are hereby requested to examine the a/cs between parties, to hear their further differences and to reconcile them if possible, or otherwise to report to the Court at the Next Session.

Balthazaer Bayard and Hans Kierstede, pltf's, Marrettie, widow of Govert Loockerman, deft. Deft. in default.

Luycas van Tienhoven, pltf. v/s Andries Jochemsen, deft. Defts. 2^d default.

Otto Gerrits, pltf. v/s Thomas Taylor, deft. Deft. in default.

Jan Bos, pltf. v/s Jan Hendricks van Gunst, deft. Deft in default.

Jan Cornelissen, pltf. v/s Louwies Jansen, deft. Deft. in default.

Willemtie van Leyden, pltf. v/s Albertus Ringo, deft. Deft. in default.

Willem Bogardus appears in Court and requests, that the attachment made by him by order of Francois Rombouts on 20 skepels of wheat and 150 lbs. of smoked bacon lying on the sloop from South River and belonging to the late John Garland may be declared valid etz. Ordered, that deft. Bogardus or his principal shall take possession of the attached property and take care, that it suffer no damage, until further disposition be made therein, provided that this shall in no way tend to the prejudice of the general creditors of the inventoried estate.

On Pieter Groenendyk's petition requesting, that this W : Court shall please to determine the price of a torn coat, as it is to be made good by Justus Whitfield, for s^d coat is so torn, that it cannot be well repaired. Apostilled : The W. Court refer the case to the judgment of M^r Roele Roelofsen and Jan Ros to appraise the torn coat as to its value, before it was torn and what damage it has now suffered. which damage the deft. Justus Whitfield shall make good to the petition^r costs fl. 4.

Jannettie Cregier appears in Court and requests that execution may issue on the judgment obtained by her against Jan Smedes etz. fl. 10. Secret. The W. Court having seen the notice served, orders the Schout to execute said judgment.

Jannettie Cregiers requests the like against Luycas van Tienhoven, which is granted her. Sec. fl. 10.

The Schout demands, that he may levy execution on Antony Jansen van Sale according to a judgment obtained in date — last, which is granted and allowed him. fl. 12 in all.

Anthony de Mill, Schout, pltf. v/s Jacobus ffabritius, prisoner. Pltf. demands in writing and produces divers depositions in verification thereof. Prisoner answers in writing by petition, in which he excuses himself very much, offering to confirm by evidence what he stated. The W. Court orders the prisoner to be again imprisoned for the insults committed against the Court ; and further ordered that the prisoner shall prove what he brings in his defence.

Cornelis van Borsum appears in the Secretary's Office of this City and declares to appeal to the Governo^r General and Council respecting the judgment pronounced by this W. Court in date 16th inst. between him and Jacob Teunissen de Key.—20th June 1674.

Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens with Capt. Willem Knyff, delegate of the Hon^{ble} Governo^r being assembled *Collegialiter* at the City Hall being 23^d June 1674.

The President Burgomaster informs the Court of the cause of the meeting, which was in consequence of some unwilling persons, who refused to pay the Bookkeeper J. van de Waeter their quota according to the assessment made for the repair of the City fortifications; whereupon followed and was handed to this Court the Governo^r's order to constrain by immediate Execution the unwilling to pay; it was therefore proposed by the President aforesaid to the Court to find suitable Means and Expedients to enforce in the best manner the Governo^r's said order.

It is resolved on the above by plurality of votes, that it shall be tomorrow published from the City Hall, that every one, who is still in arrears on the assessment shall pay the same within 3 times 24 hours on pain, through further delay, of those unwilling being proceeded against by immediate execution; and the following is also published—

Whereas it is found, that notwithstanding the express order and Placards affixed by the Hon^{ble} Governo^r some of the inhabitants of this City still refuse and fail to satisfy and pay their quota according to the assessment made for the payment of the expences incurred in fortifying this City, each and every of said neglectful persons are therefore hereby warned promptly to satisfy and pay the respective orders directed to them by the Bookkeeper J van de Waeter and that within the time of thrice 24 hours, on pain through further delay that the unwilling shall, according to the express order of the Governo^r be proceeded against by immediate execution; further is every one having any unsettled a/c with the City, the Scales or the Collector of the excise, ordered to deliver in their a/c within the time aforesaid and to come to a settlement on pain of loss thereof. Every one is hereby warned and put on his guard against damage. Done, City Hall 23^d June A^o 1674.

At a Court holden at the City Hall the 26th June A^o 1674. Present Capt. Knyff, presiding on behalf of the Governo^r Anthony De Mill, Schout; Ægidius Luyck, Johannes van Brugh, Johannes De Peyster, Burgomasters; Willem Beeckman, Jeronimus Ebbinck, Jacob Kip, Laurens vander Spiegel, Guilain Verplanck, Schepens.

Thomas Gibbs, pltf. v/s John Archerd, deft. Pltf. demands, that deft. be condemned to pay the costs incurred in the previous suits and produces also pursuant to the order made last Court day by this Court, the award of the last appointed arbitrators respecting said costs, which was of the following tenour ; to wit—that if John Archerd as well as Thomas Gibbs had been willing to refer the case to them they should find $\frac{2}{3}$ part of the costs for John Archerd and $\frac{1}{3}$ for M^r Gibbs. Deft. remaining *contumax* to appear on the third Court day, notwithstanding he was legally summoned by the Court Messenger at Haerlem and the Schout of fordham, the W : Court decrees and orders, that John Archerd shall pay two third parts and Thomas Gibbs $\frac{1}{3}$ part of the costs of the foregoing suit ; but regarding the costs incurred in this suit for the payment of costs, it is ordered that John Archerd shall pay the whole ; and the two foregoing awards of arbitrators whereof the original *Actes* remain with the Notary A : Anthony are hereby approved by the W, Court, and parties are ordered to obey and observe them.

Thomas Davids, pltf. v/s The curators of B. de Haert, defts. Pltf. offers the defts. an assignment of fl. 600, of the Receiver's N. Bayard and demands that the defts. in their aforesaid quality may be ordered to receive it in abatement of an obligation of fl. 940, executed by the pltf. in date 9th May 1671 in favour of Balthazaer de Haert dec^d. Defts. refuse aforesaid assignment and demand payment according to said obligation, which is zewant or wheat, if they can sell it for zewant. The W. Court having heard the arguments of parties on both sides, condemns the pltf. to pay according to obligation, and that in wheat on the valuation and statement of S^r Dirck Van der Cleef and Steven van Cortland, who are hereby requested to perform the same according to their best judgment.

Jacq^b Teunissen de Key, pltf. v/s Gabriell Minvielle, deft. Pltf. demands from deft. according to obligation the sum of fl. 1374, in seawant or good clean winter wheat and judgment with costs. Deft. says, that he executed the obligation only conditionally, that if the said sum of fl. 1374 were not paid from the estate of Francis Lovelace, he should then make up what fell short, etc. The W. Court having seen the obligation and heard the arguments of parties on both sides, the deft. is condemned to disburse and pay to the pltf. according to obligation the demanded sum of

fl. 1374, saving his claim for the same on the estate of Francis Lovelace, for whom the deft. had accepted the debt—with costs.

ffiscael Knyff, arrestant and pltf. v/s Lieutenant de Hubert, arrested and deft. Deft. in default. Pltf. demands, that the attachment on the defts. person may be declared valid. The W. Court orders, that the attachment shall stand firm.

Jan Bos, pltf. v/s Jan Hendrickzen van Gunst, deft. Pltf. demands from deft. the sum of twenty four guilders, which deft. accepted for a certain woman, etz. Defts. acknowledgement being heard by the W. Court, he is condemned to satisfy and pay the pltf. the demanded sum of fl. 24, with costs.

For the case in question between Jan Cornelisse, pltf. v/s Louwies Jansen, deft., the W. Court have nominated and authorized as arbitrators skipper Jan Scholten and Thomas Vardon, who are hereby requested to hear the case in question and to reconcile the parties if possible, or otherwise to report to the Court.

Otto Gerritse, pltf. v/s Thomas Taylor, deft. Defts. 2^d default. Pltf. demands from deft. according to a/c the sum of fl. 115 : 16. The W. Court orders the pltf. to furnish deft. copy of the demand for the next Court day.

The Schout, pltf. v/s Mettie Wessels, deft. Deft. ordered to answer on the next Court day.

Boele Roelofsen and Jan Bos heretofore appointed by this W. Court to value Pieter Groenendyck's torn coat, then to be made good to said Groenendycke by Justus Withfield, deliver this date into Court their judgment, whereby they adjudge, that damage to the value of two and a half beavers was done to the coat by tearing. The W. Court orders, that Justus Witfield shall pay the same to said Groenendyck, the Schout is hereby ordered to see, that it be done and parties are ordered to regulate and comport themselves according to the foregoing judgment ;—with costs.

Cornelis Corssen, pltf. v/s Ralph Hudson, deft. Defts. 2 default.

Charles Huysman, pltf. v/s Adriaen Vincent. deft. Deft. in default.

Adolph Pietersen, pltf. v/s Giourt Olphertse, deft. Parties agreed.

Balthazaer Bayard and Hans Kierstede requests a repartition and division of the estate of the late Govert Loockermans with his widow etz. Whereupon the widow being heard she requests 6 or 8 week delay, until

the return home of Sieur Jacob Leyslar, as she is ignorant of the several matters appertaining to said estate. The W. Court grants said widow 6 weeks time, unless Sieur Leyslar return sooner home, when the case shall be sooner settled.

Pieter Roelofsen, pltf. v/s Marck Dales' wife, deft. Pltf. demands restitution of his obligation, as he has paid the debt to defts. husband according to receipt thereof exhibited. Deft. says, she cannot find the obligation, also it is not fully paid. Deft. is ordered to deliver up the obligation to the pltf. and if she, deft., has yet other claim against the pltf., she may speak to him about it.

Coenraet Ten Eyck and Boele Roeloffsen, guardians over the children of Aeltie Bickers, dec^d request payment of a sum of fl. 2000, Zewant lent in the year 1664 to the City on interest, according to the bond signed by the Burgomaster etz. Whereupon the W. Court answered them, that they shall speak to the Governo^r to make the matter as sure as possible for the advantage of the Orphans.

On the petition of Mr. Cornelis van Ruyven requesting in substance for D^e Samuel Megapolensis * and mother Megapolensis, payment of the arrears of the Minister's salary etz. Apostilled. That they, the petitioners, shall come in concurrence with others, the old creditors of the City of that time, for what the City is found indebted to them, to be paid the arrears whenever means are found ; and as regards the debts of particular persons, the petitioners have their recourse against them.

At a Court of Schout, Burgomast^rs and Schepens holden at the City Hall the 3^d July 1674.

The order of the Governo^r General directed to this W : Court, wherein

* A son of Domine John Megapolensis, born in 1634, his father sent him to Harvard College in 1655 to study the classics and English, and in 1658 to Utrecht, Holland, to prepare himself for the ministry of the Reformed Church. Then he studied medicine at Leyden, and having been licensed as Minister at Amsterdam in 1659 he came back to N. Y. to assist his aged father. He was one of the regular ministers of the Ref.^d Church in N. Y. from 1664 to 1668, and a Commissioner to prepare the terms of surrender in 1664. In 1669 he returned to Holland, where he first became Pastor of his father's first church at Wieringerwaerd, and died in 1700 as Pastor Emeritus of the Scotch Church at Dordrecht, where he had served since 1685.—CORWIN, Manual Ref.^d Church.

they are ordered to find a sloop suitable to be used for the careening of the ship Surinam, having been read in Court,

The W. Court considers Dirck Smit's sloop the best adapted therefor, and he, Smit, is ordered to allow his yacht to be employed for that purpose.

The W. Court of the City of N : Orange having seen the writs granted by the Governo^r to Cornelis van Borsum and Mr. Steenwyck in their respective cases against Jacob Teunissen and M^r. Jacob Varrevanger, have, pursuant to said writs, appointed and qualified, as they hereby appoint and qualify, from their Court Schepens Willem Beeckman and Verplanck to attend to the rehearing of said causes, to vindicate or approve the judgment of this W. Court according as the case shall require.

At a Court of Schout, Burgomast^r and Schepens holden at the State Hall of the City N : Orange 10 July, 1674. Present Capt Willem Knyff, presiding on the part of the Governo^r Anthony de Mill, Schout, Ægidius Luyck, Johannes de Peyster, Burgomasters ; Willem Beeckman, Jeronimus Ebbinck, Lourens van der Spiegel, Guiliane Verplanck, Schepens.

The fiscal Knyff, pltf. v/s Allard Anthony, deft. Pltf. offers the deft. payment in wheat for board and demands that the wheat, as the deft. refuses it, may remain and lie at deft's risk and charge ; he exhibits also a sample of the wheat. Deft. refused to answer on the merits alledging the case concerns his wife : demands copy to answer on the next Court day. The W. Court grant deft. copy and orders him to answer on the merits at the next Court day.

The curators of B. D'haert dec^d pltf. v/s Margriet Stuyvesand, deft. Pltfs. demand and sue the deft. in writing. The Schout adjoins himself in the case with the injured party. Deft. by the att^y Allard Anthony demands copy which is granted him by the W. Court.

Otto Gerritz, pltf. v/s Thomas Taylor, deft. Pltf. demands from the deft. according to a/c. the sum of fl. 115 : 16, with costs. Deft. remaining *contumax* and not appearing on the third Court day, is condemned on his default to satisfy and pay the pltf. the sum demanded of fl. 115:16. with costs.

Hendrick Thomassen, pltf. ffrancis Leigh, deft. Pltf. complains, that the deft. has abused him for a thief, who stole his goods out of his house ;

demands that the deft. may verify it or otherwise make satisfaction and reparation. Deft. by the atty. Allard Anthony demands copy of the complaint. The W. Court having heard the declaration of two witnesses, produced by the pltf. in proof of his statement, copy of the demand is allowed to the deft. by their W : and it is at the same time ordered, that he prove what charges against pltf. respecting the theft and violence he has.

ffrancis Leigh arrest^d and pltf. v/s Hendrick Thomassen, deft. The prisoner is released from his imprisonment and pltf. is ordered to prove, that the deft. is the person, who committed the theft, also that he, deft., used force and violence towards him, pltf.

Dirck van der Cleef, pltf. v/s Otto Gerritzen, deft. Pltf. demands from the deft. according to a/c the sum of fl. 108 : 11. deducting, what the deft. must have in offset. Deft. admits the a/c., but says, he paid the pltf. by assignment on Bedloo's books according to agreement. Burgomasters and Schepens having heard the arguments on both sides, decree that Otto Gerritze must hold the produced notes on Bedlo against him, as he omitted to have them duly credited in time and be furthered condemned to pay the sum demanded, deducting his offset a/c.

Charles Huysman, pltf. v/s Adrian Vincent, deft. Pltf. demands from deft. the sum of fl. 80 in good wheat, with costs. Pltf. admits the debt, whereupon The W. Court condemns him, to pay the pltf. the demanded fl. 80. in merchantable wheat @ 6 guild^r the skepel, with costs.

Dirck Smit, pltf. v/s William Richardson, deft. Pltf. demands the sum of fl. for tar, delivered to Nicolas Davis for the ketch Mayflower. Deft. denies having received more than one barrel of tar from the pltf. for pltf's. benefit and refers pltf. to Nicolas Davis or his estate, for whose a/c the tar is received. Pltf. is ordered to find out the proper debtor or his Estate and his suit against deft. is dismissed.

Bay Croesvelt, pltf. v/s Hans Diederik, deft. Deft. in default.

The Schout, pltf. v/s Mettie Wessels, deft. Deft. rejoins. Pltf. shall take copy thereof to answer at the next Court day.

The ffiscal Capt. Knyff, arrest^d and pltf., v/s H. A. de Hubert, arrested and deft. Pltf. demands and requests restitution of a sword and scabbard lent to the deft. on his return from N. England.

On the 11 July 1674 is published from the City Hall by order of the H^t Governor., the *Treaty of Peace* concluded on the 11 February last

between his Majesty of Great Britain and their High Mightinesses the Lords States General of the United Netherlands.

At a Court of Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens holden in the City Hall of the City N : Orange the 17th July, 1674. Present Capt. William Knyff, Anthony de Mill, Schout ; Ægidius Luyck, Johannes van Brug, Johannes De Peyster, Burgomasters ; Willem Beeckman, Jeronimus Ebbinck, Jacob Kip, Lourens van der Spiegel, Gelyn Verplanck, Schepens.

Schout de Mill, pltf. v/s Jacobus sfabritius, prisoner and deft. Pltf. says, that the deft. contrary to the order of this Court came by force on the 11th July last into the house of Annetie Cornelis, his wife, and brought in there a chest against her will and consent ; pushed a certain woman named Barentie with her spinning wheel off the road and moreover, when he was warned to keep still or that the Schout should otherwise have to be brought, he gave for answer, he was tired of the Schout and Burgomasters, and when the Schout came himself with order to remove him, the deft. resisted the soldiers, pushing him, pltf., on the breast with many other evil acts : Pltf. therefore demands, that the offender shall at least be banished for ever out this City's jurisdiction or otherwise punished according to his deserts as a person unworthy to live in a well regulated Burghery having committed divers offences against the laws and ordinances of our Fatherland ; with the costs incurred and still to accrue. Burgomasters and Schepens having heard at length the demand and complaint of the Officer together with the answer and excuse of the prisoner and having seen and considered the depositions on both sides, condemn Magister Jacobus fabritius in a fine of fl. 100. for the benefit of the Schout and he shall merely ask the Court's pardon for the insults and injuries committed against it at divers times, although he deserved to be more severely punished : further their W. persist by their last rendered judgment between said ffabritius and his wife Annetie Cornelissen dated 8th June last, with this explanation, that said Fabritius shall not presume to come to his said wife without her consent or to give her any trouble : further, paying the costs incurred herein.

At a Court of Burgomasters and Schepens holden at the City Hall the 24th July 1674. Present Kaptⁿ Willem Knyf, presiding on behalf of the Governo^r Ægidius Luyck, Johannes van Brug, Johannes De Peister,

Burgomast^r; Willem Beeckman, Jeronimus Ebbinck, Jacob Kipp, L. Van der Spiegel, Guilaine Verplanck, Schepens.

The Fiscal Capt. Knyf, pltf. v/s Allard Anthony, deft. The W. Court resolved to refer this case to Sieurs Stephanus van Cortland and Jacobus van deWaeter, to reconcile parties if possible or otherwise to report to the Court.

Margriet Stuyvesand, pltf. v/s The curators of the deceased B. d' Haert, defts. Pltf. replies to the answer of the defts. given in heretofore. Ordered at defts. request, copy to be delivered to be rejoined to by deft. at the next Court day.

Margrietta Stuyvesand, pltf. v/s The curators of dec^d B. d'Haert, deft. In an action of slander. Pltf. complains and demands in writing. Defts. demand copy. Copy granted.

Isacq fforeest, pltf. v/s Jan Adriaensen, deft. Cause postponed till next Court day.

Jan Adriaensen, pltf. v/s Dirck Jansen Smit, deft. Pltf. says, that the deft. also demands the same sum, that Isacq Foreest is demanding from him, and requests to know whom he shall pay. Deft. answers and says, that he paid the same debt for the pltf. to Mary Peeck etz. The W. Court orders the deft to produce at the next Court day further writing and proof of his statement, when the W. Court shall act further therein.

Thomas ffrissell, arrestant and pltf. v/s John Williams, arrested and deft. Whereas the W. Court finds, that this case is much entangled and the question principally consists in a/cs and co-partnership, made between them both, their W. have therefore thought proper to refer it to M^r François Rombouts, M^r Gabriell Minvielle, M^r Nathaniel Davenport and M^r Samuel Edsall, to settle the matter if possible, to whom in like manner parties are ordered to deliver in their papers and a/cs; the said arbitrators reporting their award. Meanwhile the attachment is declared valid.

The Schout, pltf. v/s Anna Wats and Jannettie Cregier, defts. An action of defamation and scolding. The W. Court having heard the Schouts complaint on the one side, and the defts' excuse on the other side, each of them is condemned in a fine of fl. 6. for the benefit of the Schout and they shall henceforward leave each other unmolested and make up friends before this Court.

Jan Cooly, pltf. v/s Pieter the Hamburger, deft. Deft. in default.

Jan Smedes and Ambroos de Weerham, pltfs. v/s Capt. Abram Staets, deft. Pltfs. says that the deft. has attached 62 skepels of their wheat for pretended purchase of sail cloth ; they request, that the deft. may be ordered to release s^d wheat, as they had not concluded the trade. Deft. says, that the pltfs. had finally bought the sail cloth at 4 ells p^r beaver and that he kept it stored for them, the pltfs., one whole year, whereby he is now suffering great damage. Therefore deft. demands, that the pltfs. purchase may stand firm or they otherwise indemnify him for his loss. The W. Court having heard the debates on both sides and seen the declaration of Claes Lock decree, that the pltfs. shall stand to their purchase, if not that they shall pay him, deft., six beavers for damage, which six beavers the deft. may retain out of the attached wheat at Willemstad. [Albany.]

Pieter Jansen Werckendam, pltf. v/s Tymon van Borsum, deft. Deft. in default.

Pieter Jansen Werckendam, pltf. v/s ffrancis Leigh, deft. Pltf. demands the sum of fl. 500 for purchase of a boat, with costs. Deft. admits the debt and is willing to pay in what he may earn with the boat, saying he so agreed and contracted. The W. Court having heard the arguments of parties, the deft. is condemned to pay pltf. according to condition the demanded sum of fl. 500.

Luyckas van Tienhoven, pltf. v/s Andries Jochemsen, deft. Defts 2^d default. Pltf. demands fl. 75 or 3 beavers for earned yearly fees ; with costs. The W. Court orders pltf. to serve notice hereof on the deft.

Tymon van Borsum, pltf. v/s ffrederik Harmsen, deft. Both in default.

Hendrick Thomassen, pltf. v/s ffrancis Leigh, deft. Pltf. complains and proves by three witnesses, that deft. accused him of being a thief, who had robbed his house ; he demands, that deft. may prove it or otherwise make reparation to him, pltf., and indemnify him for the damage done him by imprisonment. Also, that the deft. shall prove, that the pltf. is the man, who offered force and violence to him according to his accusation brought in heretofore. Deft. says, he has no witnesses nor proof, that the pltf. is the man, who has used force and violence towards him except the depositions of Abel Hardenbroeck produced heretofore ; and that he also cannot prove, that the pltf. robbed his house. Burgomasters and Schepens hav-

ing heard the witnesses produced by the pltf. and finding that the deft. wrongfully accused the pltf. of committed theft and violence, whereupon he set the pltf. some days in prison ; condemn the deft. for his unjust molestation and defamation to go to jail a like number of days, and the deft. is further condemned in a fine of fl. 25 for the Schout ; and finally he shall pronounce the pltf. to be an honest man ; paying the costs of suit.

Extraordinary Court of Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens with the Fiscal Capt^e. Willem Knyf delegated by the Governo^r. holden at the City Hall of the City New Orange the 30th July A^o 1674.

The Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens having seen and examined the papers, documents and a/cs between M^r. John Williams on the one side and Capt. Thomas ffreesell on the other, respecting a copartnership made together by them etz., find, that the a/c is sadly confused, therefore their W. think proper again to appoint and qualify, as they hereby do, Mess^{rs}. francois Rombouts, Dervall and Nathaniel Davenport to examine and make up, in presence of Schepen Verplanck, the a/cs from the first voyage made between them in company ; reporting their finding and award. Meanwhile the attachment made by Capt. Freesel on the vessell and goods is discharged and dismissed and it shall again remain at the disposal of them both to be treated at the greatest advance.

A^o 1674 : 11th August.

Whereas according to the instruction given by the Hon^{ble}. Governo^r. General to this W. Court, the time is this day come, on which the nomination must be made for new and succeeding Burgomasters and Schepens ; their Worships have therefore resolved to assemble *Collegialiter* at the City Hall to make the said nomination and present it to his Hono^r.

Burgomaster Luyck relates to the Court, that the Govern^r. had been pleased to order respecting the nomination and election as follows—

1. That two Burgomasters shall retire and in place of the retiring, two new ones shall be put in nomination. from which the election shall then be made by his Honor.

2. That the Schout should continue.

3. That three Schepens should retire and six be named instead.

Whereupon the following nomination is made and presented to the Governo^r. General.

Copy follows :—

Hon^{ble} Noble, Right Honourable Sir,

Whereas according to custom and Your Hono^r's instruction the time for choosing succeeding Burgomasters and Schepens is at hand, we therefore by plurality of votes nominate to your Hono^r from the Burghers and inhabitants of this City as a double number these following :—

for Burgomast^r

Willem Beeckman

Oloff Stevense

for Schepens

Francis Rombouts

Stephen van Cortland

Jan Vinge

Pieter Jacobs Marius

Christopher Hoogland

Gerrit van Tright

Requesting that your Hono^r will be pleased to elect from them the wisest, most intelligent and best qualified to succeed in the place of the retiring Burgomasters and Schepens, so that the Commonalty may be well governed and sustained. DONE at the City Hall of the City N. Orange the 11 August 1674. We remain Your Honour's Subjects and Servants

Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens of the City N. Orange.

By order of the same,

Ephraim Herman, Clerk.

THE PRAYER BEFORE THE COURT.

O GOD of Gods and Lord of Heavenly Hosts and Merciful Father, We thank Thee that Thou hast not only created us after Thine own Image but also, when We were lost, that Thou hast again received us as Thine own Children and allies ; It hath moreover pleased Thee to appoint us to the Ruling of Thy people in this Place : O Lord our God, we miserable Men acknowledge that we are unworthy this Honor—We are even too feeble and unfit to discharge this trust unless Thou o God help us to bear it. We pray Thee, o founttain of all good gifts, make us through Thy mercy fit that we may faithfully and righteously execute our imposed office ; enlighten to this end the darkness of our Understanding that we may distinguish Right from Wrong and Truth from Falsehood and pro-

nounce Justice pure and unadulterated having fixed our Eyes on Thy word which is a sure testimony giving Wisdom unto the lowly : Let Thy Law be a Light to our Ways and a Lantern to our Paths that we may never stray from the path of Righteousness : Let us remember that we occupy the Judgment-seat not of men but of God who seeth and heareth all : Be far from us distinction of persons, that we may administer Justice to the Poor and Rich, Friends and Enemies, Inhabitants and Strangers according to the Rule of Truth departing in no Wise therefrom to please any person ; And as Presents blind the Eyes of the Wise therefore preserve our Hearts from Covetousness ; Grant likewise that We judge no man rashly nor unheard but listen patiently to parties, give time for defence and seek council from Thy mouth and Word in all things Grant us also this Mercy that we use the power which Thou hast given us for the common advantage of the Country, the prosperity of the Churches, the protection of the good and the punishment of the Wicked : Incline also the Hearts of the Subjects to due Obedience that by their Love and Prayers our Charge may be lightened. Thou Knowest also, Lord, that the wicked and unrestrained Men usually blaspheme and contradict Thy holy ordinances. Arm us therefore with Power, Valour, Courage and Confidence that We oppose ourselves rightfully, earnestly and Zealously against all Sin and Evil-doing and Fight to the Death for Righteousness and Truth : Extend, also, Thy blessing O good God over our common Resolutions that they be carried out and tend to the honour of Thy holy Name, to the good of our committed place and to our Salvation : Hear and grant unto us, O Gracious God, this and whatever more Thou Knowest is necessary for us thro' the Merits of JESUS CHRIST Thy beloved SON, wherein We thus conclude our Prayer—

OUR FATHER, &c.

COPY of the letter sent by the Hon^{ble} Governor General to the Court of the City, N. Orange.

Honourable, Beloved, Faithful,

This serves merely to enclose the accompanying election of Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens of this City of N: Orange, and Capt. Carell Epsteyn is hereby appointed and authorized to discharge the retiring Burgomasters and Schepens after due acknowledgments for their services, to instal the newly elected after taking their oath and in presence of the

retiring to make these known, as heretofore, to the Burghers, whereto awaiting, I remain

Honourable, Beloved, Faithful,

Your H^{on} friend

(Was Signed) A: Colve

Fort W^m Hendrik in N. Netherland Ady, 13th August 1674.

Copy of the commission and election follows :

Whereas according to the appointed orders of this City of N: Orange some of its Magistrates, who have served out their time, yearly retire and others are chosen in their places by the supreme authority of this Province of N: Netherland ; Therefore the Governo^r General of N: Netherland from the nomination exhibited by Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens have elected and confirmed, as they hereby do, as Magistrates of this City for the ensuing year :

As Schout, Capt. Willem Knyff ; as Burgomast^r, Johannes van Brug, old Burgomast^r, Willem Beeckman, Burgomaster ; as Schepens, Jacob Kipp, presiding Schepen, Guilaine Verplanck, old Schepen, ffrancois Rombouts, Christopher Hoogland, Stephanus van Cortland.

Which aforesaid Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens are hereby authorized and empowered to govern, the inhabitants of this City, both Burghers and strangers, to administer good law and justice, and to make therein such Orders, as they shall find to be most advantageous for this City and its inhabitants in conformity to the laws and statutes of our Fatherland and the Placards and Ordinances of this Province—And the Burghers and inhabitants of this City and all others, whom it in any wise concerns, are well and strictly ordered and charged to respect and honour the abovenamed Regents in their respective qualities, as good and faithful subjects are bound to do. Done Fort Willem Hendrick, In N: Netherland. Ady, 13, of August A^o 1674.

(Was Signed) A. Colve.

Understood—By order of the Hon^{ble} Governo General of N: Netherland.

N. Bayard, Secretary.

The OATH taken by the W. Magistrates follows :—

We Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens of the City of N: Orange, qualified by the Hon^{ble} Governo^r General of N: Netherland, promise and

swear in the presence of Almighty God, that we, each in our quality, shall, according to the best of our knowledge, administer good law and justice between parties brought before us, without any passion; that we shall promote the prosperity of this City and its inhabitants; protect in all things the pure and true Christain Religion as taught in the Netherland Churches conformably to the Word of God and the order of the Synod of Dordrecht; obey, maintain and help to support in all things the supreme Magistracy appointed or hereafter to be appointed over us in the name of their High Mightinesses the Lords States General of the United Netherlands and his Serene Highness the Prince of Orange, and prevent as much as in us lies all that may conflict therewith. So Truly Help us God.

At a Court holden in the City-Hall of the City N: Orange, the 21 August, A^o 1674.—Present, Capt. Willem Knyff, Schout, Johannes van Brug, Willem Beeckman, Burgomasters; Jacob Kip, Guilaine Verplanck, Stoffel Hooghland, Stephen van Cortland, Schepens.

John Schackerly, arrest^d and pltf., v/s Samuel Winslow, arrested and deft. Pltf. sues in writing. Deft. requests copy of the suit to answer thereunto at the next Court day. The W. Court grant deft. copy of the demand to answer thereunto at the next Court day.

Jan Jansen Moll, pltf., v/s John Schackerly. deft. Pltf. demands from deft. fl. 440. for hire of his vessel to Boston according to contract. Deft. says, he will draw out the pltf's. a/c by the next Court day. The W. Court orders parties on both sides to draw out and make up their a/c by the next Court day.

Hartman Wessels, arrestant and pltf., v/s Thomas Davis, arrested and deft. Pltf. in default. The W. Court discharge the attachment and condemn the pltf. in the costs.

Pieter Nys, pltf., v/s Allard Anthony, deft. Pltf. demands from deft. the sum of fl. 1097:5. according to a/c requires payment. Deft. demands delay until the next Court day to answer pltf's. a/c. The W. Court grant deft. time until the next Court day to bring in his answer.

Margarita Stuyvesand, pltf., v/s The curators of B. De Haert, dec^d defts. Defts. rejoin. Ordered to deliver copy to the pltf.

Margarita Stuyvesand, pltf., v/s The Curators of B. de Haert, dec^d defts. Defts. rejoin. Ordered as above.

Claes Arentse, wheelwright, pltf., v/s Jonas Bartelsen, deft. Pltf. demands 5 beavers for ladders made and requests satisfaction. Deft. as Fire Warden admits having employed pltf. according to order of this Court. Burgomasters shall take the matter into consideration and take care that the pltf. receive satisfaction, they release deft. from said sum.

Martin Hardewyn, pltf., v/s Frederik Philips and Thomas Lewis, deft. Pltf. says, that the defts. hired him for a year as miller at their mill and that he is notwithstanding discharged by them. He requests to know the reason and that defts. may pay him $\frac{1}{4}$ of a years wages. Defts. say, that the pltf. represented himself as a capable miller and that he nevertheless knew little or nothing of it; they declare to have hired him for fl. 800 per annum. Pltf. undertakes to prove by divers witnesses, that he had fixed the mill, which was previously out of order and thereupon ground good flour. The W. Court orders the pltf. to produce his proofs at the next Court day.

Thomas Verdon, pltf., Jan Herberdinck, deft. Pltf. in default. Deft. dismissed and the pltf. on his default condemned in the costs.

Gabriell Minvielle, pltf., v/s Abram Lubbertse, deft. Deft in default.

Gerrit Hendricksen, butcher, pltf., v/s Juriaen Jansen, cooper, deft. Deft. in default.

Claes Pieterse, pltf. v/s Claes Roelofsen, deft. Parties agreed.

Jan Pietersen, cooper, pltf., Pieter Louresse and his son, defts. Pltf. says, he hired defts. son for the term of four years, which time does not expire before N: Years, yet this young lad has absented himself from his service and is in like manner upheld by the deft. Pltf. therefore demands, that said servant may be ordered to return to his service and to serve out his time. The W. Court having heard the deft's answer, orders him to let his son return to his service and serve out his time properly to the next New Year.

Philip Johns, pltf., v/s Samuell Hopkins, deft. This cause is referred by the W. Court to the arbitration of M^r: Thomas Gibbs and M^r: John Schackerly.

John Williams appears and delivers into Court an award pronounced in date 11 August, 1674 by the schepens Jacob Kipp and Guilaine Verplanck together with Richard Hartsharne and Joseph [Knot as chosen

arbitrators of the case in question between said Williams on the one part and Thomas Freezell on the other side, respecting a partnership entered into by said Williams and Freezell. By which award it appears, that the matter in question was finally settled and decided by said arbitrators : therefore, said Williams requests, that this W. Court will be pleased to approve and legally confirm it. Whereupon said award being read and examined, it is approved and ratified by the W. Court and parties on both sides are ordered punctually to observe and obey the said award in such form, as if it was so pronounced by their Worships themselves. Further ordering copy of said award to be brought to the secretary's office of this city to serve as may be requisite.

Burgomasters being daily troubled by divers City creditors have resolved to present the following petition thereon to the Hon^{ble} Governo^r General :—

To the Right Hon^{ble} Anthony Colve, Governo^r General of N: Netherland:—

Right Hon^{ble} Sir,

We the undersigned petitioners, the Burgomasters of the City N : Orange have, pursuant to your Hono^r's order, made up and herewith present to your Hono^r the a/c of the fortifications and other expenses incurred by us, the undersigned, through your Hon^r's orders since the arrival of the Commanders and the time of your Honor's government ; by which a/c. it appears that this City on this behalf still owes the sum of fl. 6110 : 18. zewants value ; for which indebted monies the petitioners are daily importuned and applied to by one and another of the labouring people and contractors, as being those, who recommended said work by your Hono^r's order. —Therefore the petitioners have thought fit to apply to your Hono^r on this subject and with all respect to request, that the said arrears of debt incurred in the time of war for the preservation of this City, on the preservation of which probably the security of the whole province depended, may be shortly paid and satisfied in the most convenient manner possible, so that the petitioners by quick satisfaction may not only be released from further trouble, but that your petitioners' credit may be preserved so as to be able properly to obey and execute in future Your Honor's Orders, in which your Hono^r shall always find your petitioners

Right Hon^{ble} Sir, Your Honors obedient Subjects and Servants

Johannes Van Brugh

Willem Beeckman.

The apostille granted on the foregoing petition follows :—

Copy.

The petitioners are hereby granted and allowed the receipt of the product of the Scales and Tapsters excise of this City commencing from the first May last, and to continue until the time the said Scales and Excise shall have brought up the item in arrear of six thousand one hundred and ten guilders 18 stiv light money mentioned in the petition annexed.

Done fort Willem Hendrick N : Netherland Ady 7th september A^o 1674.

By Order of the Hon^{ble} H^e Governo^r General and Council of N : Netherland.

(Was Signed)

N : Bayard Secretary.

At a Court holden at the City Hall of the City New Orange the 4th Sept^r 1674.

Present Johannes van Brugh, Willem Beeckman, Burgomasters ; Jacob Kipp, Guilaine Verplanck, Christopher Hooghland, Stephen van Cortland, Schepens.

John Schackerly, arrest^r and pltf. v/s Samuell Winslow, arrested and deft. Deft. answers in writing on the pltf's demand hereinbefore rendered, and requests a delay until he shall have received his proofs from Boston. Ordered, that parties shall give security on both sides for the judgment and that the deft. shall send for his proofs from Boston by the first opportunity.

John Schackerly, arrestant and pltf. v/s Randell Huwit, arrested and deft. Deft. in default. Pltf. demands that the attachment be declared valid. The W. Court declares the attachment valid.

John Man, arrestant and pltf. v/s Samuell Rescu, arrested and deft. Ralph Hudson, bail of the arrested, in default. Pltf. demands by the attorney Allard Anthony, that the attachment be declared valid, as the arrested intends to depart. The W. Court declares the attachment valid.

Hartman Wesselsen, pltf. v/s Thomas Davis, arrested and deft. Pltf. demands from deft. for the curing of a negro boy the sum of fl : 150 and requires payment with costs. Deft's attorney demands delay until the arrival of Thomas Davis, who will be here shortly in person. Pltf. is ordered to summon Thomas Davis himself *de novo*, as he, pltf., was default himself last Court day, whereby the attachment became void.

Gabriell Minvielle, pltf. v/s Abram Lubbersen, deft. Pltf. demands from deft. the sum of fl. 895 : 9, balance of a/c. Deft. makes divers objections to the pltf's. a/c. The W. Court refers the matter to M^r. Gerrit van Tright and Dirck vander Cleef to examine the a/c. ; to hear the arguments of parties and if possible to reconcile them ; otherwise to report to the Court.

Burgomast^r. Egidius Luyck, pltf. v/s Cornelis Post, deft. Deft. in default.

Anthony de Mill, pltf. v/s Abel Hardenbroeck, deft. Deft. in default.

Jannettie Cregier, pltf. v/s Jan Hendricksen van Gunst, deft. Deft. in default.

Pieter Philipsen and Hend^t. Gabriellsen, pltf's. v/s John Thompson, skipper on the Galiot, deft. Pltf's. complain greatly of the deft., their skipper, on a/c of his hard treatment of them, etc. and demand to be discharged from the deft. and that he, deft. be ordered to pay them, pltf's., their earned monthly wages. Deft. says, he is not indebted to pltf's. and is willing to discharge them, if they, pltf's., put two other sailors in their places. The W. Court orders parties to conduct themselves on both sides as they ought to, and that defts. [pltf's. ?] shall return on board to complete their voyage or that they put others in their places.

Jan Otto van Tuyll, pltf. v/s William Richardson, deft. Pltf. demands the sum of £7 : 9 : 3. Hollands for monthly wages earned by him on the ketch of N: Davis, whereof deft. is skipper; with costs. Deft. admits, that pltf. has earned so much on said ketch, but that he cannot pay unless being thereunto constrained by the W. Court. The W. Court orders deft. to pay s^d monthly wages to the pltf., inasmuch as the pltf. has earned it from him as skipper on N: Davis' ketch.

Nicolaes Willem Stuyvesand, pltf. v/s Dirck Jansen Smit, deft. Pltf. demands from the deft. according to handwriting the sum of fl. 90: 15, with costs. The W. Court having heard the acknowledgment and excuse of the deft. condemns him to pay the pltf. fl. 90: 15. as demanded according to handwriting, with costs.

Hartman Wesselsen, pltf. v/s Geertie, widow of Evert Janssen, arrested and deft. Parties are recommended to agree or if not, Thomas Lammersen, defts. bail, shall appear on the next Court day, when the W. Court will decide it.

Asser Levy, pltf. v/s Thomas Cooninck, deft. Deft. in default.

Everd Wessels, cooper, pltf. v/s William Darvall, deft. Deft. in default.

Catharyna Renaes, pltf. v/s Rachell Du True, deft. Both in default.

In the case in question between Marten Hardewyn on the one part and ffrederick Philipsen with Thomas Lewis on the other, the W. Court nominated and authorized Sieur Paulus Richard and Jan Vinge, who are hereby requested to hear the cause in question in the presence of Schepen Stephen Van Cortland and if possible to reconcile parties; otherwise to report their award to the Court.

In the case in question between Thomas Verdon, pltf. v/s Jan Herberdingh, deft., the W. Court nominated and authorized as arbitrators M^r Coenraet Ten Eyck and Simon Jansen Romeyn, who are hereby requested to hear the matter in dispute and if possible to reconcile parties; or otherwise to report their award to the Court.

In the case in question between Jan Jansen Mol on the one part and John Schackerly on the other, the W. Court appointed as arbitrators Hendrick vandeWaeter and Abram Lubbertsen to reconcile parties if possible; otherwise to report to the Court.

In the case in question between Gerrit Hendricksen Blau, farmer, on the one side, and Dirck Jansen, cooper, on the other, the W. Court nominated and authorized as arbitrators Jacob Teunissen de Key and Isaacq van Vlecq to reconcile parties if possible; or otherwise to report to the Court.

Teunis Cray appears in Court and exhibits a judgment pronounced by this W. Court on the 3d. October last against Allard Anthony, late Sherrieff, earnestly entreating this W. Court once again to take into consideration his most pitiable condition and to give order, that the said judgment may be put into execution without further delay, to the end that he may again receive his disbursed money to use it in his old age. Burgomasters and Schepens having considered the preceding petition, also the notice of the Court Messenger with said Allard Anthony's answer thereupon, grant petitioner his request and order the Schout to put in execution on the estate of the abovenamed A: Anthony the said judgment amounting to the sum of fl. 186. together with the incurred costs.

The late Schout Anthony De Mill exhibits in Court a judgment pro-

nounced against Jacob Smit, turner, by this W. Court in date 30th January last, requesting execution thereupon, as he has had him duly notified without having, however, received any satisfaction thereby. The W. Court grants petitioners request and orders the Schout to put said judgment into execution.

Dirck Jansen, cooper, appearing in Court as guardian of Bruyn Haagen, late servant of Hendrick Bosch; exhibits in Court an award of the arbitrators appointed, respecting the binding out of said Bruyn Haagen, requesting that this W. Court may be pleased to approve it and to order the abovenamed Bosch to observe and fulfill it. The W. Court having seen and examined the said award together with the indenture of said Bruyn Haagen made by the Notary Math. de Vos, approve said award of the arbitrators and order said Hendrick Bosch to observe and fulfill the same punctually, and to pay the costs herein incurred. Costs together, fl. 12:

Ordinary Court of Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens holden at the City Hall, the 18th September A^o 1674. Present Capt. Willem Knyff, Schout; Johannes van Brugh, Willem Beeckman, Burgomasters; Jacob Kipp, Guilaine Verplanck, ffrancois Rombouts, Christopher Hooghland, Stephanus van Cortland, Schepens.

Schepen ffrancois Rombouts having been heretofore absent through indisposition, has this day taken in Court the oath as Schepen.

Pieter Nys, pltf. v/s Allard Anthony, deft. Deft. in default. Whereas deft. has not answered pltf's demand according to order of last Court day, it is therefore ordered that he shall answer on the next Court day on pain of judgment, and the pltf. is to have this notified to the deft. by the Court Messenger.

Hartman Wesselse, pltf. v/s Geertie Jans, deft. Deft. in default. Pltf. ordered to summon deft. *de novo*, as the deft's guardian Thomas Lammertsen has undertaken and is likewise ordered to defend the case here.

John Chatlin and John Ward, arrestant and pltf's. v/s Emanuëll Mandevell, arrested and deft. Pltf's. declare, that deft. last year took away from them without their consent a canoe, which never re-appeared: they therefore attached a hhd. of rum of the defts. lying in Sieur Gabriel

Minvielle's cellar; requesting that the attachment be declared valid they exhibit also depositions of two impartial persons, who have estimated the canoe as worth £3: 10. besides the costs incurred thereon by them. Deft. in default. The W. Court declares the attachment valid and orders that the Secretary write a note to the deft. to notify him of the attachment and at the same time that if he does not appear at the next Court day, judgment shall be pronounced on his default.

Burgomaster Luyck, pltf. v/s Cornelis Post, deft. Defts. 2^d default. Pltf. demands from the deft. fl. 158. according to a/c with costs. Pltf. is ordered to take up copy thereof and to notify the deft. thereof.

Juriaen Jansen, cooper, pltf. v/s William Barker deft. Deft. in default.

Ralph Hudson, pltf. v/s Thomas Taylor, deft. Deft. in default.

Jannettie Cregiers, pltf. v/s Jan Hendricksen van Gunst, deft. Pltf. demands from deft. according to handwriting the sum of fl. 100. with costs. Deft. says, he only owes fl. 94. and offers to pay that in bread and flour. Deft. is condemned to pay the pltf. fl. 94. with costs.

Everd Wessels, pltf. v/s William Darvall, deft. Defts. 2^d default. Pltf. demands from deft. the sum of fl. 240, with costs. The W. Court orders the pltf. to have copy hereof served on deft.

Schout Willem Knyf, pltf. v/s Secretary N: Bayard, deft. Deft. in default.

Schout Willem Knyf, pltf. v/s Jan Allowyn, deft. Deft. in default.

Schout Willem Knyf, pltf. v/s William Whyte, deft. Deft. in default.

John Cooly, pltf. v/s Henry Newton, deft. Pltf. is ordered to deliver to the deft. copy of the deposition of James Crafford and of his a/c handed in.

Otto Gerrits. Execution issued on the judgment obtained by him against Thomas Taylor, hatter.

Thomas Gibbs appearing produces divers a/cs of costs incurred in the suit between him and John Archerd of ffordham: requests this W. Court to order how much thereof should be paid. The W: Court orders, that copy of the general a/c of costs shall be handed to John Archerd, deft., and that he be, at the same time notified, if he have any a/c of costs to bring in, that he must produce it, as this cause shall be finally disposed of on the next Court day.

Asser Levy appears in Court and exhibits a judgment pronounced by this Court in date 10th July last in favour of Charles Huysman against Adriaen Vincent, together with the rendered service: he demands execution thereof. Ordered, that if Adriaen Vincent, the deft., does not pay within 8 days according to his answer rendered on the service, the Schout is then ordered to put said judgment into execution.

Capt: Knyff communiates to the Burgomasters, that the Governo^r has ordered, that Samuel Wilson shall come and take his oath of fidelity and obtain his Burgher right, paying for it 50 guilders in beavers.

Ephraim Herman, the Clerk, exhibits in Court an apostille granted him by the Hon^{ble} Governo^r on his petition, whereby he was granted the office of Secretary of this City in place of Secretary Bayard, who had resigned it; and at the same time referred him to this W. Court to grant him a fair allowance for his last year's service as Secretary of this City, and to pay the same to him out of the City Treasury, etc. Requesting that the W. Court may be pleased to grant the same and to pay him a fair salary. Whereupon the W. Court resolved to enquire, what salary was paid heretofore to the Secretary Joannes Nevius in the preceding Dutch government.

On the petition of the cartmen of this City complaining, that there were some, who intruded in that employment and had moreover, on their departure, sold their carts, horses and places with priviledge to cart: also, that there were certain boys, who in like manner rode in the cart above the number fixed; demanding redress. Apostilled: Burgomasters and Schepens decree, that the boys mentioned in the within petition shall not ride Cart any more and they are hereby also ordered to discontinue and leave off driving cart within this City.

RENEWAL and ORDINANCE reciprocally enacted by the Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens, on the subject of appearance.

1. That whoever shall come half an hour too late after the ringing of the bell shall pay a fine of 2 guildrs zewant.

2. One hour too late, 3 guilders.

3. Whoever remains altogether absent, 5 guilders. Except those, who have gone on business to Fort Orange, the South River or New England or else are sick; they shall not pay any fine.

ITEM if any one have any necessary or just cause of absence to pro-

duce, it shall remain discretionary with the remaining Magistrates of the Court to excuse him or to condemn him in the enacted fine.

4. Whoever smokes tobacco in Court as long as the roll of causes is not disposed of or that the Bench is engaged in other business shall forfeit fl. 2: 10. zewant.

5. Whoever leaves the Council (Court) room before the President departs or without his knowledge shall forfeit 3 guilders zewant.

Thus done in the City Hall in presence of the full Court. Dated as above.

By order of the Court.

Ephraim Herman, Secretary.

Assembled *Collegialiter* in the City Hall the 26th September A^o 1674. Present Willem Knyf, Schout; Johannes van Brugh, Burgomaster; francois Rombouts, Schepen.

Samuell Wilson being sent for to Court has this day taken the oath of fidelity and is ordered to go to the Secretary for a Burgher's warrant, paying therefor 50 guilders in beavers.

Jan Langestraet and Jan Pietersen, the elder, are admitted as cartmen of this City by the W. Court.

Ordinary Court holden at the City Hall of the City N: Orange on 2^d October A^o 1674. Willem Knyf, Schout; John van Brugh, Willem Beeckman, Burgomasters; Jacob Kipp, Guilaine Verplanck, francois Rombouts, Stephen van Cortland, Schepens.

Burgomaster Egidius Luyck, pltf. v/s Cornelis Post, deft. Pltf. demands from deft. the sum of fl. 158. according to a/c. and request judgment with costs. Deft. requests 14 days delay and is willing to pay then. The W. Court condemns the deft. to pay the fl. 158. demanded, with costs.

Jacob d'Looper, pltf. v/s Dirck Wiggertsen, deft. Pltf. demands according to declaration in writing. Deft's wife denies having hired the boat to the pltf. for any determinate time, and says the pltf. was not to sail it any longer than it pleased him, deft. The W. Court refer the case to the arbitration of Hendrick Obe and Cornelis de Visser (the fisher).

Balthazaer Bayard, pltf. v/s Thomas Craffte, deft. Pltf. says he bought some days ago from the deft. a parcel of goods for seawant and after the

trade he also bought some sugar for 9 stivers and a parcel for 6 stivers the lb. without the deft. making any distinction as to the description of pay; the pltf. not knowing but it was also for zeawant, as he had previously bought the other goods. But now the deft. comes and says he sold the sugar for 9 stiv. and 6 stiv. in silver or its equivalent. Therefore the pltf. requests, that the deft. shall let him have the sugar for 9 and 6 stiv. zewant or else take it back: And whereas a part of the sugar is sent to Willemstadt to be sold, he requires that he, deft., will take unto himself the proceeds of said sugar in place of the sugar itself, etc. Deft. appeals to his master John Inch, for whom he sold the sugar. Ordered, that copy of pltf's offer be delivered to defts. employer to answer thereunto at the next Court day.

Juriaen Jansen, cooper, pltf. v/s William Barker, deft. Pltf. sues in writing. Deft. requests copy of the demand, which the Court grants him. The Schout adjoins himself in the action to the injured party.

John Cooly, pltf. v/s Henry Newton, deft. Pltf. demands restitution of monies, paid deft. on an obligation for 100 guilders by order of this Court, and says he can prove, that he had already paid it. Ordered, that the pltf. shall deliver to the deft. copy of Crafford's declaration and his a/c.

Henry Newton, pltf. v/s John Cooly, deft. Pltf. demands verbally the sum of fl. 12. Pltf. is ordered to deliver to deft. a/c and particulars.

Hartman Wessels, pltf. v/s Thomas Davids, deft. Pltf. demands from deft. for curing a negro boy the sum of fl. 150 and requests payment with costs. The W. Court having heard the defts. acknowledgment, condemns him to pay the demanded sum of fl. 150 to the pltf. with costs.

The Ex-Sheriff De Mill, pltf. v/s Abell Hardenbroeck, deft. Pltf. demands from the deft. according to a/c the sum of fl. 146: 10. requests payment with costs. Defts. excuse being heard by the Court, he is condemned to pay the pltf. the demanded sum of fl. 146. 10. and that in merchantable wheat @ 6 gl. pease at 4 gl. the skepel or merchantable whole beavers at 24 gl. the piece. Note.—Secretary's costs in this Case amount anew to fl. 8.

Marten Hardewyn, pltf. v/s Frederik Philipsen, deft. Pltf. says, that the deft. engaged him as miller for his water mill for one year for the sum of fl. 800. And after he, the pltf., had been some days at the

mill, he was discharged therefrom by the deft. without any cause; he proves by divers witnesses, that he has manufactured good flour thereon: therefore he, pltf., demands the sum of fl. 802 for damage suffered, for loss of time, the affront thereby inflicted on him by the deft., with costs. Deft. says, the pltf. had no knowledge of milling; inasmuch as complaints were made of his incapacity to him, deft., he therefore discharged him. The W. Court having heard the arguments of parties on both sides and examined their evidence condemn the deft. to pay the pltf. the sum of fl. 200 for that he has discharged the pltf. without any legitimate cause from his engagement, and for the affront, loss of time, etc. caused to the pltf. and respecting the costs incurred, it is ordered, that the deft. shall pay the costs of the appearance of the Secretary and Messengers; and for the remaining costs the pltf. shall assume them.

Dirck van der Cleef, pltf. v/s Allard Anthony, deft. Allard Anthony is ordered to bring in his proofs in this case on the next Court day, when further disposition shall be made therein.

Huygh Barentse de Klyne, pltf. v/s Daniel de Haert, deft. Deft. in default.

Schout Willem Knyf, pltf. v/s Secretary Nicolaes Bayard, deft. Pltf. demands in writing. Deft. demands copy of the declaration. Copy granted.

Schout Willem Knyff, pltf. v/s William Whyte, hatter, deft. Pltf. demands in writing. Deft. requests copy. Copy granted.

Schout Willem Knyff, pltf. v/s Jan Allowyn, deft. Defts. 2^d default. Pltf. is ordered to serve on the deft. a copy of his entered demand.

Jacobus de Haart, pltf. v/s Cornelis Post, deft. Parties agreed.

Jan Wescoo, pltf. v/s Roeloff Jansen, butcher, deft. Both in default.

Claes Jansensen Poen, pltf. v/s ffrederik Philipsen, deft. This case is referred by the W. Court to Sieur Nicolaes de Myer and Gabriel Minvielle, to reconcile parties if possible; otherwise to report to the Court.

Allard Anthony requests by petition for Hendrick Bosch revision of the case adjudicated between him and his late servant Bruyn Hagens. Apostilled: The W. Court denies the petitioner's request and persists in the award and the arbitrators' decision.

The Ex-Schout A. de Mill delivers in Court his papers regarding the

suit between him and Mettie Wesselsen: requests that the gentlemen of the Court will please to pronounce their opinion and judgment thereupon. The attorney, Allard Anthony, says he cannot be ready with his papers before the next Court day. Whereupon the W. Court orders him to prepare and deliver them in by the next Court day.

Adriaen Vincent appears in Court; complains that he cannot get any satisfaction to this date on the judgment obtained against David De vour in date 10th April and declares, he has attached fl. 100 in Jan Cooly's hands: demands that the attachment be declared valid. The attachment is declared valid by the W. Court, and ordered that said Defour have notice thereof.

Charles ffonteyn appearing in Court produces a declaration of the curators of Knoet Mourits dec^d, namely Volckert Dircksen, John Lequie, Joost Cockuyt and Barent Gerritz proving thereby, that there is due him from the estate of said Knout Mouritz the sum of fl. 268: 10. declaring he has attached so much of the estate of Knoet Mouritz in Asser Levy's hands; he demands, that the attachment be declared valid. The W. Court declares the attachment valid and orders Jacques Corteljou, late Vendu Master, be notified thereof, so that he may appear here on the next Court day or otherwise that the vendue money attached in Asser Levy's hands shall be applied to the payment of Charles fonteyn.

Whereas the time for the election of new Churchwardens in place of those retiring has expired therefore Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens have resolved to nominate a double number and present it to the Hon^{ble} Governor, in order that his Hon^r may be pleased to make election therefrom;—and there are nominated

Captⁿ Marten Kregier,
Johannes De Peyster,
Nicolaes De Myer,
ffrederik Philipsen.

Right Honourable Sir,

Whereas the time for the choosing new Churchwardens for next year in place of the retiring is elapsed, and it is therefore necessary that the same office be filled by two new instead of the retiring; we, therefore, nominate to your Hono^r from the Burghers and inhabitants of this City as a double number:—

Captⁿ Marten Kregier,
Johannes De Peyster,
Nicolaes De Myer,
ffrederick Philipsen,

requesting that your Hono^r may be pleased to elect from them the wisest and fittest, in order that the said office may be duly filled and attended to. We remain Hon^{ble} Sir,

Your Hono^r's humble Servants,
The Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens of the
City N: Orange.

By order of the same.

Done, City Hall of the City N: Orange the 2^d Octob^r 1674.

The Superscription Was: To the Right Hon^{ble} Anthony Colve, Governo^r Gen^l of N: Netherland. Ephraim Herman, Secret^r Residing in Ffort Willem Hendrick.

From the nomination made by the Outside People beyond the Fresh Water, the W: Court, with the approbation of the Hon^{ble} Governo^r General, have elected and confirmed as Magistrates for the ensuing year:—

Jan Pietersen Haaring,
Adriaen Cornelissen, Old Schepens.
Jacob Pietersen de Groot,
Wolphert Webber, New Schepens.

Which aforesaid Magistrates are hereby authorized and empowered, after having taken the customary oath at the hands of the W: Court here, to govern the Outside People in their district according to the instruction granted them to this effect:—further regulating themselves according to all such orders and instructions as shall in addition be given them from time to time. Done, City Hall of the City N: Orange 2^d Octob^r 1674.

PLACARD.

Whereas it is found by daily experience, that the previously enacted and frequently renewed orders and Placards against breaking and spoiling fences and gardens are not observed, but on the contrary that many persons occupy themselves in climbing over, breaking and trampling them under foot, therein hunting and shooting partridges and other birds, whereby probably serious mischief may happen to arise, to prevent and obviate which for the future as much as possible, the Schout, Burgomasters

and Schepens, with the approbation of the Hon^{ble} Governo^r General renewing the preceding Placards on this subject enacted, do hereby well and strictly interdict and forbid all persons, of what rank soever they may be, to climb, break and spoil any fences of gardens, orchards or enclosed places; also shooting partridges and other birds within this City of N. Orange or in the public streets, on forfeiture of his gun or firearm and payment in addition of a fine of fl 10. zeawant value for the benefit of the H^t Schout. Done at the City Hall of City N. Orange, the 8 Octob^r 1674.

By order of the W. Heeren Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens of the City N: Orange.

Ephraim Herman, *Secretary*.

Approved by the Hon^{ble} Gov^r Genl. And published from the City Hall the 9th Octob^r A^o 1674.

Burgomasters and Schepens being *Collegialiter* assembled at the City Hall on the 15th Octob^r 1674 on the Summons of the Hon^{ble} H. Governo^r

The Governo^r General appearing in Court states, that he has now received by the National Ship the *Muyll Tromp* letters and absolute orders from the Majores and their High Mightinesses for the restitution of this Province of N: Netherland to his Majesty of Great Britain pursuant to the Treaty of Peace concluded on the . . . February last; with further orders that he return home with the garrison as soon as possible, which his Hono^r resolved to communicate to the Court; informing them further, that if they had yet any representation to make to their High Mightiness, it would be willingly presented by his Hono^r etc. For which offer the W. Court hath thanked the Governo^r

This day the Court allowed the Secretary the sum of fl. 250. Hollands for his last year's services.

Ordinary Court of Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens holden at the City Hall the 16th October A^o 1674.

Present Capt. Willem Knyff, Schout; Johannes van Brug, Willem Beeckman, Burgomasters; Jacob Kipp, Guilaine Verplanck, Christopher Hoogland, Stephen van Cortland, Schepens.

Nicolaes Bayard, Vendu Mast^r, pltf. v/s Dirck Vander Cleef and J.

van de Waeter, curators of the estate of John Ryder. Pltf. says, that in quality of Vendu Mast^r he sold to Captⁿ Thomas De Lavall on the 9th Xber 1672, a house and lot standing and being in the *Brouwer Straet* within this City, heretofore belonging to the curators of the estate of Maria Paulet dec^d, for the sum of fl. 5195. sewant value, which purchase was transferred by said De Lavall, with the Vendu Master's consent, to John Ryder, who has paid thereupon the sum of fl. 2683: 15 according to a/c delivered to the Commissioners, so that there still remains fl. 2510: 11., which the pltf. long since ought to have paid to the curators. Therefore the pltf. demands, that the defts. be ordered to pay the said arrears of money according to the tenor of the conditions of sale, or in default thereof to have the house sold by execution; the last article of the conditions so expressly provides to recover therefrom said arrears of money and to leave the balance at the disposal of said Commissaries. Defts. say, they have no monies on hand from which to pay the pltf. said arrears. The W. Court having heard the demand of the pltf. and defts.' answer and having seen the conditions of the sale, condemns the defts. to pay the pltf. said arrears of money; and as they, defts., allege that they have no monies therefor on hand, it is Ordered, that the aforesaid house and lot with appendages thereof shall be sold by execution at public sale to the highest bidder, and the pltf. being paid first therefrom his arrears of fl. 2510. 11. the balance of the proceeds shall be put in the hands of the Commissaries.

Dirck Van de Cleef, pltf. v/s Allard Anthony, deft. Deft. in default. The W. Court orders deft. again to deliver in his proofs at the next Court day, on pain of judgment being rendered through further delay.

Gerrit Jansen Roos, pltf. v/s Abel Hardenbroeck, deft. Deft. in default.

The Ex-Schout A. de Mill, pltf. v/s Mettie Wessels, deft. Deft. and her att'y both in default. The W. Court again orders deft. to deliver in at the next Court day, without longer delay her deductions and papers relating to the merits of this cause, on pain of judgment by further delay.

ffredrick Hendricksen, barquier, pltf. v/s Dirck Wiggersen, alias Uncle Dirck, deft. The W. Court has resolved to refer this case to

Sieur Nicolaes De Myer and Simon Jansen Romyn to decide it in presence of Schepen Jacob Kip; or else to report to the Court.

Balthazaer Bayard, pltf. v/s Thomas Crafte, deft. This case is referred by the W. Court to M^r. Nathaniel Davenport and Dirck van der Cleef, to decide it in presence of Schepen Verplanck and to reconcile parties or else to report the award to Court.

James Matheus, pltf. v/s Rynier Willemsen, deft. Pltf. says, the deft. became last spring security for Jacob Pietersen and Hend^r. Volckertsen then going as sailors in his ketch to Surinam: he demands, that deft. may be condemned to pay their debt, for which he remained bail, etz. Deft. offers to pay pltf. all the said sailors earned on board his ketch, as soon as their a/c shall be made up. The W. Court orders the deft. to disburse and pay the pltf. the monthly monies of the abovenamed sailors according to promise hereon given to the late Schout.

Huygh Barentsen De Kleyn, pltf. v/s Daniel De Haert, deft. Pltf. demands according to his declaration delivered in in writing. Deft. by his empowered attorney, demands copy of the declaration to answer thereunto at the next Court day. The W. Court grant the deft. copy.

John Tutor, pltf. v/s Hans Kierstede, deft. Deft. in default.

Robberd Hollis, pltf. v/s Josiah Hazzard, deft. Deft. in default.

Burgomaster W^m. Beeckman, pltf. v/s Elias Puddington, deft. Deft. in default.

The H^r. Schout Knyff, pltf. v/s Willem Whyte, deft. Deft. in default. Deft. is ordered to finally answer the pltf's. demand at the next Court day on pain of condemnation.

John Cooly, pltf. v/s Henry Newton, deft. Pltf. demands restitution of 100 guilders twice paid, according to James Crafford's declaration: also that the declaration be returned to him with a receipt thereon. The W. Court decree, that the said debt is lawfully paid to deft. according to said obligation; therefore pltf's. action herein is dismissed; but deft. is ordered to return the obligation with a receipt, that he is paid.

Adriaen Vincent, pltf. v/s David Defour, deft. Whereas some question has been raised by the pltf. and deft. respecting the balance of their a/c. the gentlemen of the Court have therefore resolved to authorize Sieur Paulus Richard to make up the a/c between them both, reporting his award.

Gerrit Hendricksen Blauboer delivers into Court an award of good men appointed by this Court over matters depending between him and Dirck Jansen, cooper. He demands the approval of the Court thereon, etc. Said award having been seen by the Court, it was approved by their Worships and Dirck Jansen is ordered to pay the balance of his a/c according to the abovementioned award to the said Gerrit Hendricksen, with costs of summons and scriveners fees.

This date execution is granted Nicolaes Willem Stuyvesand on a judgment obtained by him against Dirck Jansen Smit on date 4th 7ber last. Up to here fl. 10.

ITEM, execution is also granted to the late Schout de Mill on a judgment obtained in date 2^d Octob^r last against Abel Hardenbroeck.

ITEM, execution is also granted to Dirck Jansen, cooper, guardian of Bruyn Hagens, on the judgment obtained by him in date 4th Septemb^r last against Hendrick Bosch, Swaert Veeger (chimney sweep?) fl. 14 to this.

Jacques Corteljou, ex-Vendu Mast^r on Long Island, was ordered by this Court at the last session to appear here this day to see, if he had any lawful cause or objection to produce, why a certain sum of fl. 268: 10. should not be disbursed and paid to Charles Fontaine, which by said Fontaine was attached from the estate of the late Knoet Mourits in Asser Levy's hands etc. But he remaining *contumax* notwithstanding he has had due notice thereof, therefore Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens hereby order that Asser Levy hand over and pay to said Charles fontaine said attached monies.

On the petition of Dirck van der Cleef, representing that there is due by Martin Hofman to him as attorney of Arent Jansen Moesman fl. 700 principal and accrued interest, in virtue of a mortgage dated 11th 9ber 1664 and judgment obtained dated 3d. August 1669, by which mortgage he hypothecated his house and lot situate in Broadway next the guard house etz. having then fraudulently sold the aforesaid to Capt Manning and received the payment from him for it, the aforesaid mortgage still remains in full force notwithstanding; the petitioner requests that he be granted judgment and execution against the aforesaid hypothecated house in order that he be paid the principal and accrued interest, with costs. The W. Court orders that previous to proceeding

further in this cause, Marten Hofman be legally notified and informed, that if he do not soon appear here to defend his cause, the aforesaid hypothecated house and lot shall be sold at his cost and the damage charged to him; also that the case shall at the same time be communicated to the Deaconry of this City, as they support one Mistress Seely, who is concerned in the house through her deceased husband.

Extract from the Resolutions of the Hon^{ble} Governo^r General and Council of N: Netherland adopted in their Assembly the 3^d Octob^r 1674.

From the nomination exhibited by the Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens of the City of New Orange the Honble. Governo^r Gen^l of N: Netherland has elected and confirmed as Church wardens of this City for the ensuing year:—

Adolf Pietersen, Old Churchwarden.

Nicolaes De Myer,

ffrederick Philipsen.

Done Fort Willem Hendrick in New Netherland. Ady, 3^d Octob^r A^o 1674.

By order of the Honble Governo^r General of New Netherland.

(Was Signed)

N. Bayard, Secretary.

ITEM, the election for Magistrates of the Outside People beyond the Fresh Water is also approved by the Hon^{ble} Governo^r as made in date 2^d Octob^r last by this W. Court.

At a Meeting of Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens and Burgher Court Martial holden by order of Hon^{ble} H^l Governo^r on 25th Octob^r 1674. Present Burgomaster Joh: van Brugh, Burgomaster Willem Beeckman, Capt. Egidius Luyck, Capt. Marten Cregier; Jacob Kip, Guilaine Verplanck, Francois Rombouts, Christopher Hooghland, Stephen Van Cortland, Schepens.

The Honble Governo^r appearing at the Meeting represents, that the time for his departure is very near and that he probably will not be able to wait the arrival of the expected Governor from England as the winter season is approaching etc. Therefore his Hono^r deemed it proper to acquaint the Meeting thereof and at the same time to order, that the Burgomasters and Schepens together with the Burgher Court Martial

nominate a double number of ten persons, from which his Hono^r will then elect 5, who after his departure shall possess and exercise the executive authority until the arrival of the expected ships and the Governo^r of his Majesty of England, who shall be also authorized to surrender the country to whomsoever exhibits his Majesty's commission.

Whereupon it is resolved to have the Meeting called for tomorrow afternoon at 2. o'Clock.

At a Meeting of Burgomasters and Schepens with the Burgher Court Martial holden at the City Hall the 26th Octob^r A^o 1674. Present Burgomaster Johannes van Brugh, Burgomaster Willem Beeckman, Captain Cornelis Steenwyck, Captⁿ Marten Kregier, Captⁿ Egidius Luyck, Lieut: Nicolaes Bayard; Jacob Kip, Guilaine Verplanck, Francois Rombouts, Christopher Hooghland, Stephen van Cortland, Schepens; Ensign Gab: Minvielle.

In pursuance of the order given to the Meeting yesterday by th Governo^r the following nomination is this day made to be presented to the Governo^r:—

Mr. Corn: Steenwyck,
Mr. Nicolaes Bayard,
Burgomaster Johannes van Brugh,
Burgomast^r Willem Beeckman,
Captⁿ Egidius Luyck,
Captⁿ Marten Kregier,
M^r Johannes De Peyster,
M^r Olof Stevens Cortland,
Mr. Schepen Jacob Kip,
M^r Schepen Fran^s Rombouts.

Right Honourable Sir,

Pursuant to your Honor's order given us yesterday, we the Burgomasters and Schepens together with the military officers of the Burgher Court Martial of the City N: Orange have this day by plurality of votes nominated ten persons, who are hereby in like manner presented to your Hono^r

Mr. Corn. Steenwyck,
 Mr. Nicolaes Bayard,
 Burgomaster Johannes van Brugh,
 Burgomaster Willem Beeckman,
 Captⁿ Marten Kregier,
 Captⁿ Egidius Luyck,
 Mr. Schepen Jacob Kip,
 Johannes de Peyster, old Burgomaster,
 Mr. Olof Stevens van Cortland,
 Mr. Schepen francois Rombouts,

from whom your Hono^r can, as you think proper, elect the persons by whom this government may be regulated and preserved most peaceably and quietly until the arrival of the expected Governo^r We remain your Honor's humble Servants,

The Burgomasters and Schepens with the Burgher

Court Martial of the City N: Orange.

Done City Hall 26 Octob^r 1674.

By order of the same,

Ephraim Herman, Secretary.

Burgomasters and Schepens being assembled *Collegialiter* at the City Hall, have resolved to present the following petition to the Governo^r

To the R^t Hon^{ble} the Heer Anthony Colve,

Governo^r General of N: Netherland.

R^t Hon^{ble} Sir,

We your Hono^r's petitioners, the Burgomasters and Schepens of the City N: Orange, represent with due respect, that many of the good inhabitants of this City have applied to us and on divers occasions complained regarding some expected difficulties and points set forth here under: we have therefore thought proper and found ourselves by our office obliged to call your Honor's attention to them humbly requesting your Hono^r to be pleased to provide therein for the advantage of the inhabitants.

Firstly, that the extraordinary tax imposed for the payment of the monies loaned for the repairs of the fort's and City's fortifications . . .; also that those, who on this account must lose and remove their lots and houses, may be paid out of the abovementioned tax already col-

lected, according to the placard of the 17th March last and the orders to Book Keeper Jacobus van de Water, which so express and promise.

Secondly, that those, who must accept any houses and lots within this City in stead of their lost houses and lots on the assessment made, may be freed from those, who may hereafter come to claim the same houses and lots.

Thirdly, whereas many of the inhabitants are greatly interested in the confiscated estate of the late Governor Lovelace and several others here, for which your Honor has also appointed Commission^{rs}, that your Hono^r make such order herein that each may receive his right therefrom, as far as said estate may extend.

Finally, as the City still owes about the sum of 1500 guilders, besides the last year's salary of the City's Secretary, which your Hono^r was pleased to refer to us for payment, and whilst the City Treasury has scarcely any provision of money therefor, our humble petition is, that according to your Honor's promise made to us, order may be given for the payment thereof—All which we respectfully request your Honor to take into serious consideration and to grant a favorable apostille for the advantage of the inhabitants of this City—Remaining your Honor's humble Servants,

The Burgomasters and Schepens of the City N: Orange.

Done, City Hall of the City N: Orange

27th Octob^r 1674.

By order of the same.

Ephraim Herman, Secy.

ORDINARY COURT of Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens holden at the City Hall the 30th Octob^r A^o 1674. Present Johannis Van Brugh, Willem Beeckman, Burgomasters ; Jacob Kipp, Guilaine Verplanck, francois Rombouts, Christopher Hooghland, Schepens.

Adriaen Jansen, pltf. v/s Jacob Leucena, deft. Pltf. says, he last year gave deft. an order to receive from Mr. Paling at the Esopus for pltf's. a/c 25 skepels of wheat in payment of what the pltf. owed the deft., which wheat the deft. also received, but he deft. refuses the pltf. a release, holding the said wheat, for what said Paling owed him the deft. Deft. says, he received the wheat on his own a/c from Paling and not on his,

pltfs., a/c. The W. Court decree, that if the pltf. can prove that Palingh delivered the wheat to deft. for his a/c., then deft. shall receipt therefor to the pltf.

Paulus Richard, pltf. v/s Louwries Jansen, deft. Pltf. says, that deft. took up in divers goods at his house on his son's a/c the sum of fl. 306: 7, which said son now refuses to pay: he requests therefore that the deft. may be condemned to pay said debt with costs. Deft. admits having received so much on his son's a/c. to pay with the crop and says his son shall still do so. The Court orders the deft. to give Security, that the debt shall be paid at Candlemas.

John Man, pltf. v/s Samuell Rescu, deft. Defts. 2^d default. Deft. is ordered to come and defend himself on the next Court day without delay.

Huygh Barentsen de Kleyn, pltf. v/s Daniell de Haert, deft. Deft. answers in writing to the pltfs. entered demand. Pltf. requests copy. The W. Court grants pltf. copy.

The late Schout Anth: De Mill, pltf. v/s Mettien Wesselsen, deft. Deft. delivers in her deduction. This cause is postponed until tomorrow, when it shall be determined.

Capt. Willem Knyf, pltf. v/s William Whyte, deft. Deft. in default. According to order of the last Court day deft. delivers in his answer to pltfs. demand.

Henrita Anthony, pltf. v/s Capt. Knyf, deft. Deft. in default.

Sarah Harrison, pltf. v/s Sarah Hawkings, deft. Deft. in default.

Pieter Pangborne, pltf. v/s Abell Hardenbroeck, deft. Deft. in default.

Gerrit Jansen Roos, pltf. v/s Abell Hardenbroeck, deft. Defts. 2^d default. Pltf. says he found a certain oyster rake in a well, which pltf. (? deft.) owned and claimed: he demands restitution thereof or satisfaction for his trouble.

Isacq van Vlecq, pltf. v/s Gerrittie Spiegelers, deft. Deft. in default.

Neeltie Jansen, pltf. v/s Pieter Groenevelt, deft. Deft. in default.

Jan Pietersen, pltf. v/s The Widow Hegemans, deft. Deft. in default.

Dirck van der Cleef, pltf. v/s Allard Anthony, deft. This cause is

postponed until the Burgomasters shall have again spoken to Captⁿ Nicols about the explanation of his rendered declaration.

Annettie Cornelis appears in Court and declares, she sent orders by the sloop of Dirck Smit to the Commandant P: Aldrichs at the South River to pay said Dirck Smit from the effects of her and her husband Jacobus Fabritius there the judgment pronounced by this Court on . . . Feby last. She requests therefore, that the Schout may not levy execution on her estate here, until she receive an answer whether the debt is paid there, the rather as from the estate here the father's property must be forthcoming to the children. Whereupon the Court order, that the Schout should not proceed with the execution until further order.

The Hon^{ble} Governo^r General appearing at the Meeting in the City Hall recommended the Burgomasters and Schepens and the Burgher Council of War most particularly to take good care for the prevention of all mischiefs either by night or by day, which may be occasioned by the malice of any persons and the insolence of his Hono^r' soldiery; further enjoining on them, that if any soldiers be found in the streets exhibiting insolence, that they should be secured and brought to his Hono^r., who then should punish them according to deserts, etc.

Whereupon the Court resolved to cause the following to be published to the end that good watch be kept to obviate and prevent mischief as much as possible.

Whereas the Provost and Serjeants of the Train bands of this City complain, that the men do not keep parade and watch, as they ought, but absent themselves very frequently, so that they are unable to place sentinels on their posts through want of men or to prevent menacing dangers, which arises only because the incurred fines are not collected and paid nor satisfaction made to the Corporals:

Therefore, the Burgomasters and Council of War of this City of New Orange hereby order and charge the Provost with the Serjeant and the 4 Trainsbands of the watch henceforth to collect the fines the next morning on the breaking up of the watch and on refusal of payment forthwith, without regard of persons to take as much goods out their houses as the incurred fines amount to. Thus done, in the City Hall of the City N: Orange on the 2^d Novemb^r A^o 1674.

By order of the Burgomasters and Council of War of the City of N: Orange.
Ephraim Herman, Secretary.

3^d Novemb^r A^o 1674. Burgomasters and Schepens with the Council of War being assembled at the City Hall have, with the approbation of the Governor, appointed and qualified, as their Worships do hereby appoint and qualify, M^r Cornelis Steenwyck, with the Burgomaster Johannes van Brugh and Willem Beeckman to repair on board his Majesty's frigate now anchored under Staten Island and there to welcome the Governor Maj^r Andrews and at the same time to request some privileges for the advantage of the Commonalty.

The above delegates returning this day report that they had welcomed the Hon^{ble} Governo^r Major Andrews on board, and had sought some privileges in favour of the inhabitants; he answered them, they, the delegates, may assure the inhabitants of the Dutch nation, that they should participate in the same privileges with those of the English nation, and that his hono^r should promote their interest as much as possible; referring further to the instructions given him by his Royal Majesty and Highness of York etz.

At a Court present the Burgomasters and Schepens and Burgher Council of War, held and assembled by special order of the Governo^r General, Anthony Colve, in the City Hall of the City of N: Orange the 9th Novemb^r *Stilo Novo* A^o 1674.

The Governo^r General appearing in Court communicated to it that he should, pursuant to the orders from his superiors, deliver over tomorrow the Fort and this Province of N: Netherland according to the Articles of Peace to Major Andrews in behalf of his Majesty of Great Britain; and thanked the Court thereupon for their past services and at the same time absolved and discharged them from their oath of allegiance to their High Mightinesses and his Serene Highness; further ordering, that the five flags of the Outside People with the cushions and table cloth now in the City Hall should be taken in charge by the Burgomaster Johannes van Brugh, until they should be demanded and taken away by order of the supreme authority taken thereupon his departure from the Court.

Which I certify to have so occurred,

Ephraim Herman, Secrety.

Inventory of Books etc, found in the City Hall and by order of the Court given in care to the President Burgomaster Johannes van Brugh the 9th Novemb^r 1674:—

1. Book in folio entituled—Placards, Ordinances and Octroys of the Hon^{ble} Great and Mighty Lords the States of Holland and Westvrieslant.

1. Ditto. Placards, Ordinances of the Lords States General.

1. Ditto. Handbook of Imperial and Civil Laws.

1. Ditto. Bye laws of Amsterdam.

3 Ditto in quarto; Consultations and Opinions 1 2 and 3^d parts.

1 Ditto. Dutch Practice and Laws.

1 Ditto. Wisbuste Admiralty Laws.

On the 1st November A^o 1674, the Province of N. Netherland is surrendered by Governo^r Colve to Governo^r Major Edmund Andros in behalf of his Majesty of Great Britain.

ADMINISTRATIVE MINUTES.

[By inadvertence the following Minutes of the Burgomasters on administrative business were bound with Volume III. of the Records, and to avoid breaking the continuity of the Court Minutes, the Editor has considered it advisable to let this part follow here with the consent of the Committee.]

Whereas divers matters daily occur here within this City of Amsterdam in New Netherland, which according to the custom of our Fatherland and the privileges granted to this City, concern only the Burgomasters; such as the repairs and construction of necessary works; finances, how to find means; and order, that everything proceed in order; also should any one have to request or propose any thing relating to the City, to direct it for the public good; Moreover if any public office or service regarding this City or any thing else be necessary for the public good, to propose it to the Right Hon^{ble} Director General and Council and to make a nomination:

Therefore resolved by Burgomasters of this City aforesaid, that their worships shall meet once a Week for the future in the City Hall, whereunto they have appointed and fixed Thursday Morning at 9 o'Clock, to consult then together about all, that may concern the City, and to dispose thereof as shall be found proper. Done this 8th March 1657. In the City Hall at Amsterdam in N: Netherland. Present, the Heeren Burgomasters, Allard Anthony and Poulus Leendertzen van der Grift.

The Burgomasters deliberating over the state of this City's revenue, and what at present the City owes, find that they are behind, and that Allard Anthony and Olof Stevensen have disbursed considerable of their private funds: And whereas there is at present little prospect of restor-

ing their expended money to the said gentlemen, Resolved that the monies expected from the Farming of the Burgher Excise and the Slaughtering shall be paid as far they both amount to, to the aforesaid gentlemen in deduction of their disbursement in the year 1655 and 1656; and that those, who are still indebted for the assessment made in October 1655 shall be warned to pay, and the monies arising therefrom shall be handed to the Treasurer, to pay therefrom by Order the last contracted debts and daily expences, and to meet and settle what is possible. Done the 8th March 1657, at the Court of Burgomasters of this City of Amsterdam in N. Netherland.

Copy.

Extract of the Register of the Resolutions adopted by the Hon^{ble} Director General and Council of N: Netherland in their Hon^{ble} Assembly on Tuesday the 6th March 1657.

Director General and Council of N: Netherland have considered the nomination made and delivered by the Burgomasters of the City of Amsterdam in N: Netherland with request, that the Director General and Council may please to elect a person from the nominated to fill the office of Treasurer of this City for the ensuing year.

Which being taken into deliberation 'tis after question being put, concluded, resolved and confirmed by the Director General and Council, as the ruling Burgomasters have to take care of, and attend to not only the City's but also their own affairs, that henceforward the place of Treasurer shall be filled and served by the last retired Burgomaster. Therefore the retiring Burgomaster Olof Stevensen van Cortlant is hereby appointed and commissioned as Treasurer of this City, who shall have to administer the City's income on orders signed by the Burgomasters then ruling and not otherwise. Thus done at the Assembly in Fort Amsterdam in N: Netherland. Ady as above. Under Stood. Agrees with the aforesaid Resolution and signed C. v. Ruyven, Secretary.

Extract from the Register of Resolutions of the Hon^{ble} Director General and Council of N. Netherland adopted in their Hon^{ble} Assembly on Tuesday, 6th March 1657.

The Director General and Council of N. Netherland having considered the nomination made and delivered in by the Burgomasters of

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this City, with request, that Director General and Council may be pleased to elect from the nominated one Churchwarden in place of a Churchwarden, who shall retire, do therefore elect from the nominated as Churchwarden for the ensuing year, Pieter Tonneman in stead of Nicasius de Sille, and have continued for the present Sieur Govert Loockermans. Thus done in Fort Amsterdam in N: Netherland Ady as Above. Under Stood Agrees with afores^d Resolution and Signed, C: V: Ruyven, Secret^r

Whereas according to Extract from the Resolves of the Hon^{ble} Director General and Council of N: Netherland dated 6th March of this Year, 'tis resolved and determined, that henceforward the Treasurer's place of this City of Amsterdam shall be filled by the last retiring Burgomaster, and their Hon^{rs} have therefore commissioned and authorized from the Burgomasters' nomination, the Hon^{ble} Olof Stevensen van Cortlant to administer as Treasurer all the receipts and disbursements of this City on the written orders of the Burgomasters in office: the said van Cortlant is therefore sent for to the meeting of Burgomasters, and appearing is confirmed in said Office. Done this 8th March 1657, at the Court of Burgomasters of the City of Amsterdam in N: Netherland.

Whereas according to Extract from the Resolves of the Hon^{ble} Director General and Council of New Netherland dated 6th March of this year Pieter Tonneman is elected from those nominated by Burgomasters as Churchwarden in place of the retiring Nicasius de Silla, the said Tonneman is therefore hereby requested and authorized to attend to and fill the said office of Church Warden for the ensuing year with Govert Loockermans. Done this 8th March 1657, at the Court of Burgomasters of this City of Amsterdam in New Netherland.

Friday, 9th March 1657. In the City Hall, Assembled the Burgomasters of this City of Amsterdam in N: Netherland.

Whereas the Burgomasters of this City of Amsterdam have deemed it highly necessary, that some monies be placed in the Treasurer's chest to pay therefrom the daily and indispensable expenses of this City, and as many have not yet paid according to the assessment made by Burgomasters and Schepens in Octob^r 1655, Burgomasters have therefore drawn

out the following list and placed it in the hands of the Treasurer to have the monies therein mentioned collected by the Court Messenger.

Johannes P ^r Verbrugge....	fl. 100.	Adolf Pietersen.....	fl. 12.
Cornelis Steenwyck.....	100.	Gerrit Fullewever.....	15.
P ^r Corn ^s Vander Veen.....	60.	Egbert Woutersen.....	20.
Piet ^r Jacobs Buys.....	80.	Hendrick W ^m sen the Baker.	25.
Abram Nichels.....	70.	Joost the Baker.....	25.
Abram la Nooy.....	40.	Pieter Kock.....	20.
Andries d' Haes.....	20.	Rendel Huwit.....	10.
Tomas Lambertsen.....	20.	Casper Stynmets.....	10.
Claes Bordingh.....	20.	Sybout Clasen.....	20.
Jan the Cooper.....	25.	Cristiaen Barentsen.....	15.
Lodouyck Pos.....	15.	Tomas Hall.....	25.
Jan Peeck.....	20.	Jochim Beeckman.....	10.
Fredrick Hendrick.....	10.	Claes Poulizen.....	10.
Pieter Jacobs Marius.....	20.	Claes P ^r Smit 1 beaver....	8.
Andries Jochemsen.....	10.	Isaack Allerton.....	60.
Michel Paulizen.....	15.	Jan the Scribe.....	12.
Egbert Van Borsum.....	30.	Symon Velle.....	12.
Jan Perie.....	10.	Corn ^s Van Langêr 1 beaver.	8.
Isaack Foreest.....	20.	Henricus van Dyck.....	30.
D. v. Schelluyne.....	12.	Frans Jansen.....	20.
Aldart Coninck.....	15.	Jan Jansen van St. Obyn...	12.
Sybrant Jansen.....	10.	Hendrick van Bommel....	6.
Willem Pietersen.....	15.	Claes Tysen.....	10.
Salamon La Chair.....	10.	Aert Willemsen.....	20.
Cornelis Jansen Clopper...	15.	Luycas Andriessen 1 beaver.	8.
Myndert the Cooper.....	10.	Aryan Symonsen 1 beaver..	8.
Claes d'Ruiter and Harm		Claes the Younger at A.	
Douw.....	15.	Blommaerts.....	20.
Abram Planck.....	20.	M ^r Jacob Varrevanger....	30.
M ^r Hans Kierstede.....	20.	Jacob van Couwenhoven...	100.
		Somma.....	fl. 1408.

Done this 9th March 1657 at the Court of Burgomast^r of this City of Amsterdam in New Netherland.

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Whereas some of the above persons object to pay before and until they have an assessment order to charge to the a/c of their principals or otherwise; the following draft is made and the tenor thereof sent to Joh: P: Verbrugge, Corn: Steenwyck, Pieter Corns' van der Veen, Pieter Jacobs Buys, Abram Nickels and Adⁿ Blommert on acc^t of Claes the Young dec^d

N: N. is ordered to pay to the Treasurer of this City the sum of f. . . . according to the Assessment made by the Hon^{ble} Director General, the Burgomasters and Schepens of this City in Oct^r 1655, which shall avail as payment. Done the 9th March 1657 in the Court of Burgomasters of this City of Amsterdam in N: Netherland and Signed by order of the Burgomasters aforesaid.

Jacob Kip, Secret^r

Whereas one Churchwarden is retired and another having been appointed in his stead, it is customary according to the practice of our Fatherland, that a/c be rendered of their administration; Burgomasters have resolved to communicate it to the Honble General, to know whether a/c shall be rendered to his Honor, or to the Burgomasters.

Thursday, 15th March 1657. In the City Hall; Present the W. Heeren Nicasius d'Silla, Allard Anthony, and Paulus Leenderts vander Grift.

This day the Court received the following Resolution from the R^t Hon^{ble} the Director General and Council, whereupon were adopted the resolution and nomination thereunto following.

Copy.

Extract from the Register of the Resolutions of the Hon: Direct^r General and Council of N: Netherland adopted in their Hon^{ble} Assembly Tuesday 12th March 1657.

Whereas through the blessed increase of trade and population, it is made manifest and sufficiently apparent to the Director General and Council of N: Netherland, that neither the Burgher, trader nor stranger can be well accommodated in consequence of the few labourers, that have hitherto been employed at the Hon^{ble} Company's Warehouse, Scales and to carry beer and wine; especially the beer porters, who have heretofore

been only two in number; whereby it has often happened, that the Burgher and stranger could not be properly attended to in their turn; to prevent which for the future, the Director General and Council of New Netherland have considered it proper and expedient to increase not only the number of sworn labourers at the said Warehouse Scales, and the beer carriers to nine, but also for the greater accommodation and convenience as well of the Burgher, and trader as of the stranger, that they have resolved that the sworn labourers shall one with another attend to the Warehouse, the Scales and carrying the wine and beer, and that also for the wages thereunto already established or hereafter to be established; on condition that both the old and those who may now be added shall be holden to take and renew the proper oath, and oblige themselves, in addition, in case of fire, freshet or other very urgent necessity they shall hold themselves ready and repair, before all others, to the place, where necessity and circumstances such shall demand. Which nine sworn labourers and beer carriers shall work together in one common purse, and three of them, at least, shall attend and be found daily at the Scales or said Warehouse, so that the Burgher and stranger may be continually accommodated. But on the arrival of a ship or ships they shall all attend there, or at least such number as shall accommodate the skipper, trader, Burgher or stranger without complaint and to their content; for which purpose Burgomasters of this City shall be empowered to nominate a double number and present the same to the Director General and Council. Done, Fortress Amsterdam in N: Netherland A° 1657. the 12th March.

Understood—Agrees with the Aforesaid Resolution and Signed, C: V: Ruyven, Secretary.

To the R^t Hon^{ble} Direct^r General and Council of N: Netherland.

Right Hon^{ble} Sir,

Whereas by your Hon^r resolution of the 12th March last we find, that your Hon^r deem it necessary for the accommodation of the trader, skipper and Burgher, that nine sworn labourers be appointed to attend alternately in threes, as well at the Warehouse of the Hon^{ble} Company, the Scales and carriage of beer and wine, and to labour altogether, if necessary, and that we should with that view nominate a double number:—

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Netherland considering, therefore, the necessity thereof, have resolved, as there are not at present as many applicants as will allow a complete double number to be nominated and it cannot consequently be conveniently done, to allow, with the approbation of the R^t Honble Director General and Council, the present labourers to continue, to wit—*Adriaen Vincent, Tomas Frericksen, Josep Waldron, Joost Goderis, Andries Andriesen, and Barent Jacobs Cool*, and as a Supplement to the aforesaid Number to nominate these following, viz: *Cryn Jacobsen, Cornelis Hendricksen, Jan Cornelisen, Luycas Eldersen, Willem Koecke and Philip Jansen*, from which the Hon^{ble} Direct^r General will please to select a single number. And whereas we have thought it necessary, that an overseer be placed over them we have nominated to your Honors two of the same as Overseers, to wit—*Tomas Frericksen and Barent Jansen Cool*, with request that Your Hon^{rs} may be pleased to elect one of them. Done this 15 March 1657. in the meeting of Schout and Burgomasters of the City Amsterdam in N: Netherland.

Signed By Order of the Same,

Jacob Kip, Secretary.

The Schout N: deSilla, pltf. v/s Madaleen Dirckx and her bridegroom, defts. The pltf. says that the defts. have presumed to insult the Firewardens of this City on the public highway, and to make a street riot, according to the complaint made to his Worship. Requesting for the maintenance of the aforesaid gentlemen's quality that the petitioners be publicly punished or fined as their W. shall think proper. Deft. Madaleen Dirckx appears alone in Court; admits, that she and her sister passed by the door of the Firewarden Litschoe, and as they always joked, when the firewardens came to their house, she said—"there is the chimney sweep in the door; his chimney is well swept; and not another word was said about it." And as such cannot, and ought not to be tolerated on account of its bad consequences, the Burgomasters condemn, as they do hereby, the abovenamed Madaleen Dirckx in a fine of two pounds Flemish, to be applied, one half for the Church and one half for the Poor, and notify her at the same time to avoid all such and similar faults, or in default thereof other disposition shall be made. Done in Court at the City Hall, at Amsterdam in N: Netherland.

Harmen Smeeman requests by petition, as an ungranted lot of about

70 feet wide and 80 feet deep lies behind his house in this City, and he has great need thereof, that the Burgomaster be pleased to grant him the aforesaid lot, as lots are granted to others. Whereupon Was apostilled: Petitioner's request is granted, provided he satisfy Sieur Joh: Nevius for the survey of his lot.

Pieter Cornelis van derVeen requests by petition, as he has incurred great expence on his dwelling house at the corner of *Pearl Street*, and is about to make greater improvements as an ornament thereunto, that a Square may remain and be made by resolution there. But it was resolved to communciate the same to the Hon^{ble} General and then to dispose of it.

The Treasurer being sent for to Court to know, if he has any thing yet in the chest, appears and says he sent to several, but received nothing, but that many promised and several demanded certificate of condemnation. And whereas Burgomasters are ignorant, they request the Treasurer to appear once a week in Court, and if he have any thing to report it.

Burgomasters having seen and examined the acc^t of the receipts of the tapsters and burghers excise, also of the slaughter-excise, kept by the Secretary Jacob Kip and rendered to Court, resolve to communicate it to the R^t Hon^{ble} General, that his Honor may more minutely examine and audit it; if not due discharge shall then be given him, Kip. Done as above being the 15th March 1657.

On the 29th March 1657; In the City Hall. Present the W. Heeren N: de Silla, Allard Anthony and Paulus Leenderts vander Grift.

Schout and Burgomasters of this City having taken into consideration pursuant to the privilege granted in date 30th Jan^y 1657 to the Burghery of this City by the Hon^{ble} General and Council, and the explanation thereof rendered by the above General and Councillors in date 2^d February, that some of the newly arriving passengers may through ignorance presume to sell here in the City by the ell, measure or weight, or pursue some other business, have thought proper, in order to save every one damage, again to inform them by this publication, that no one can sell in this City by the ell, measure or weight, or do any other business, unless he have received the Burgher-right (*Freedom*) of this City, and have his ell, measure or weight stamped; and whosoever is inclined so to do shall

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have to apply, to receive their Burgher right, to the Presiding Burgomaster Allard Anthony, and for the stamping their ell, measure and weight shall apply at the City Hall of this City on the afternoon of Saturday from two to four o'Clock. Every one is warned to take heed of damage. Thus done and published this 29th March 1657. at Amsterdam in N: Netherland.

Whereas certain lots were granted within this City last year, 1656, to divers persons, who were in want and had no places to build on, to which nothing has as yet been done by several, nor any preparation made to build thereon, to the evident obstruction of population, the Burgomasters of this City do therefore hereby warn each and every one, to whom any lots were last year granted, that they shall be bound to make preparations within 14 days from date to build on their lots, or in default thereof that they shall be deprived of the same, which shall be granted to others. Let every one be warned! Thus done and published this 29th March 1657. at Amsterdam in N: Netherland.

Whereas the Treasurer of this City complained to the Court of Burgomasters, that the monies promised for the assessment made in the year 1655 are not brought forward, notwithstanding the Court Messenger frequently applied for them, the Marshal is therefore, hereby charged to distrain by execution the reported and unwilling persons for the payment according to order of the Hon^{ble} Director General and Council. Done in the Court of Burgomasters of this aforesaid City the 29th March 1657.

Hendrick Hendricksen, Drummer, appears in the Court of Burgomast^r requesting payment of his yearly salary, and whereas the treasury is not well furnished at present, the petitioner is requested, to wait until the first offering opportunity; wherewith he is content. Done etc.

Jan Jansen Hagenauer has his account for wood cutting and other labour done for the City delivered into Court; but as he is not present and the treasury is not well furnished, it is postponed.

The appointed and sworn grain and lime measurers request by petition increase of fees. Which being deliberated on, it is resolved to confer with the Hon^{ble} General thereupon.

The petition of Pieter Corn^s van der Veen presented to the last Court, having been communicated to the Hon^{ble} General by the Schout and Allard Anthony, the same is considered and apostilled:—Whereas

this being communicated to the Hon^{ble} General, his Hon^r says the aforesaid Square was disposed of, long before the distribution of the lots was granted to the Burgomasters, and therefore does not belong to their Worships. The Burgomasters therefore refer the petition, if dissatisfied, to the Hon^{ble} Director General and Council. Done as above.

Marcus Vogelsangh appears in Court, requesting to be admitted as Burgher; claiming as he lived here before, three years, that it cannot be refused him; and also that he is to be preferred to the New-Comers, who were not here in the troubles with the English. But as there was no Burgher right at that time Burgomasters decree that he, the petitioner, must purchase it like others, or he cannot be considered a Burgher.

Whereas it is found, that question has arisen respecting the General and Council's placard relative to cutting wood on the unfenced lands, it is therefore resolved to confer thereupon with the General.

On the 9th April 1657. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren N. deSille, Allard Anthony, and P: L: vander Grift.

The Burgomasters and Regents of this City of Amsterdam in N: Netherland hereby give notice and make known, that those, who claim great or small Burgher right by virtue of gift or favor from the Hon^{ble} Director General and Council, shall communciate their names within eight days to the Burgomasters of this City, who for this purpose beginning tomorrow the 10th inst. shall sit during the eight days at the City Hall from two o'Clock till five o'Clock in the afternoon, to inscribe the names, with warning that those, who do not communicate their names within the aforesaid time, shall be deprived of the claim of Burgher right. Done, this 9th April, 1657. Published and affixed.

Joris Wolsey appears in Court of Burgomasters exhibiting the judgment of the Court against Jan Laurens regarding the ship *The Fortune*; demanding execution. Whereupon is apostilled. At pltfs. request, the Marshal is authorized in default of payment to put the above judgment into execution. Done as above.

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LIST of Those who have the *Burgher Right* pursuant to the Privilege and Explanation thereof granted by the R^t Hon^{ble} Director General and Council to the *Burghery* of this City of Amsterdam in N. Netherland, and are accordingly inscribed by Burgomasters, and have taken the proper oath.

THE GREAT BURGHER RIGHT.*

10 th April	17 ditto.
Joh: La Montagne, Junior.	The wife of Corn ^s van Tienhoven,
11 th ditto,	Hend ^k Van Dyck,
Jan Gillis ^a Verbrugge,	Hend ^k Kip the Younger,
Hendrick Kip,	Capt ^a Marten Kregier.
Isaack Kip,	18 th ditto.
The Hon ^{ble} General Stuyvesant.	Carel van Brugge,
12 th ditto,	Jacob van Couwenhoven,
Dominie Megapolensis.	Lourens Corn ^s vander Veen,
13 th ditto.	Joh: Pieters ^a Verbrugge,
Jacob Gerritsen Strycker.	Corn ^s Steenwyck,
14th April.	Will: Bogardus,
Jan Vinge.	Daniel Litschoe,
	Pieter van Couwenhoven.

THE SMALL BURGHER RIGHT.

10 th Ap'l.	Pieter Jacobs Buys,
Isaack d' Foreest,	Ab ^m Nickels,
Warnaer Wessels,	Pieter Schabanck,
Nic ^s Langevelthuyzen.	Matewis deVos,
	Jan Rutgers,
11 th d ^o	Caspar Stynmets,
Jan d' Young,	Pieter Jansen,
Jacobus Backer,	Jochim Beeckman, Shoemak ^r
Piet ^r Corn ^s van der Veen,	Arent Isaacksen, Item.

* Burghers or Freeman were divided into two classes in Amsterdam January 31, 1652, and five years later in New Amsterdam. Only members of the first class or Great Burghers were eligible to the higher municipal offices of Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens, Orphan-masters, etc. The small Burghers had only the privilege of trade and might be appointed to minor or servile offices. *Rooseboom*, Recueil, cap. XL; Laws and Ordinances of N. N., p. 298, 301.—B. F.

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12 Ap'l.

Fredrick Flipzen, Carpenter,
Jacob Mens,
Dirck Van Schelluyne,
Cornelis Jansen, } Wood Sawyers.
Evert Dircksen, }
Tomas Frericksen,
Pieter Caspersen of Naerden.

13th

Gerrit Pietersen of Amsterdam,
Hendrick Harmensen,
Willem Jansen from Jeverland,
Hendrick van Bommel, Tailor,
David Wessels, Turner,
Poulus van Beeck,
Cornelis Jansen Clopper, Smith.
Jean Videt, French Tailor,
Gerrit Fullewever,
Lambert Huybertsen Mol,
Michiel Jansen,
Joost Teunissen,
Jacob Clasen Coppe,
Claes Carstensen,
Ryndert Pieter van Bolsaert,
Andries Hoppen,
Arent Lourissen Carpenter,
Tryntie Hendricx, widow of Cor^d
Pieters,
Jendrick Willemsen, Baker,
Joost Goderis,
Michel Paulisen,
Coenraat Ten Eyck, Shoemaker,
Aldert Coninck, Tailor,
Rynhout Rynhoutsen, Shoe-
maker,

Pieter Andriesen, Chimney
Sweeper,
Jan Jacobsen Carpenel of Haer-
lem,
Jan Nagel,
Barent Egberts, Tailor.

14th April.

Present the Schout and Burgo-
mast^r van der Grift :
Jan Dircksen Scheder,
Adriaen Vincent,
Isaack Teene,
Johannes Beck,
Barent Jacobs Cool,
Hans Dreper,
Adolf Pietersen,
Frerick Arentsen,
Claes Tysen, Cooper,
Josyn Briel,
Sybrant Jansen Galma,
Luycas Dircksen,
Stoffel Eldersen,
Jacob Leunisen,
Hendrick Hendrick, Tailor,
Sybout Clasen,
Tomas Franse, Carman,
Claes Bordigh,
Aryan Woutersen,
Symon Felle,
Lodowyck Pos,
Jochom Bruysen,
Tomas Lamberts, Carpenter.
Nicolaes de Meyer,
Evert Duyckingh,
Abram Rycken,
Jan Corn^d van Hoorn,

Poulus Heymans,
 Tomas Sandersen, the Mill Smith.
 Willem Pietersen d'Groot,
 Nicolaes d'la Plyne,
 Andries Jochemsen,
 Jan Hendricks, Carpenter,
 Pieter Louresen,
 François Allard,
 Claes van Elslant the Elder,
 Teunis Tomasen, Mason,
 Jan Schryver,
 Jan Gerritsen, Mason,
 Jan de Perie,
 Abram Pietersen, Miller,
 Claes Poulizen,
 Cornelis van Langevelt,
 Frans Soselje,
 Jan Evertsen Bout,
 Pieter Jacobsen Marius,
 Myndert Barentsen,
 Jan Cornelis of Vlensborgh,
 Andries Andriesen van Sweden,
 Gerrit Jansen Roos, Carpenter,
 Roelof Jansen, Mason,
 Jan Hendricksen Steelman,
 Jacob Hughes, Surgeon,
 Hendrick Pieter van Hasselt,
 Barent Gerritsen, Tailor,
 M^r Jacob Hendrick Varvanger,
 Pieter Kock,
 Matys Capito,
 Abram Jacobsen, Carpenter,
 Aryan Jansen van Straetkerck,
 Luycas Eldersen,
 Rynier Gaukens van Ilst,
 Jacob Calf,

Nicolaes Backer,
 Jacob Will^m Vander Bos, Mason,
 Hendrick Hendricksen, Drum-
 mer.

Claes Pietersen Kos,
 Jacob Lendertsen Van Grift,
 Jan Cornelis^a Buys,
 Hendrick Jansen of Schalkuyck,
 Jan Lubbersen.

17th April.

Resolveert Waldron,
 Jan Jansen Hagenaar, Carpenter.
 Wessel Evertsen,
 Egbert van Borsum,
 Abraham Verplanck,
 Jan d'Pree, Cooper,
 Gewit Coerten,
 Jan Peeck,
 Rendel Huwit,
 Lourens Andries van Boskerck,
 Gerrit Gerritsen from Vrieslant,
 Tys Lubbertsen,
 Egbert Gerritsen,
 Abram Lubbertsen,
 Haey Oelefers,
 Jan Pietersen of Struckhousen,
 Corn^t Hendricksen,
 Rynier Wesselpenning,
 Cristiaen Barentsen,
 Pieter Stoutenburgh,
 Harmen Smeeman,
 Egbert Woutersen,
 Leendert Aerden,
 Jan Jansen Langedyck,
 Andries d'Haes,
 Claes Tysen of Amsterdam,

Frans Jansen van Hoochten.
 The Schout, present :
 Jan Jansen van Brieste, Cooper,
 Willem Koeck,
 Albert Jansen, Carpenter,
 Bartel Jansen Roebel,
 Joris Ham,
 Pieter Pietersen, Carpenter,
 Mr. Hans Kierstede,
 Samuel Edsal, Hatter,
 Fredrick Lubbersen,
 Willem Simson, Englishman,
 Gerrit Cornelisen,
 Corn^s Jansen Clopper,
 The Widow of Jan Huygen,
 Jacob Teunisen.

The Schout retires.

Abram Clock,
 Albert Leendersen,
 Jan Hendricks van Gunst,
 Jan Pietersen Muller,
 Nicolaes Verleth,
 Herry Breser,
 Jacob Walingh,
 Borger Jorisen.

18th April :

Mettie Wessels,
 Jan Jansen Wanschaer of St.
 Obyn,
 Hendrick Arentsen,
 Herry Piers,
 Jacus Pryn,
 Jacob Stoffelsen,
 Andries Claessen, Tailor,

Hendrick Jansen of Utrecht,
 Claes Pietersen Smith,
 Hendrick Barentsen,
 Pelgrom Klock,
 Reynick Gerritsen Vriesin,
 Jores van Vorst, Cooper,
 Willem Clasen, Butcher,
 Aert Willemsen,
 Claes Jansen Ruyter,
 Harmen Douwsen,
 Hendrick Volckersen,
 Wolphert Gerritsen,
 Dirck Clasen Pottebacker,
 Juryaen Blanck,
 Salamon la Chair,
 Claes Jansen van Sudemasten,
 Frans Clasen,
 Huybert Hend^k van Cuylen,
 Harmen Hendrick from Deventer, Shoemaker.
 Hans Albertsen, Shoemaker,
 Carsten Dirckzen of Bremen,
 Shoemaker.

19th April :

Abraham d'la Nooy,

26th April :

Luycas Andriesen,
 Dirck Siecken,
 Aryaen Symonsen,
 Pieter Rodolpus,
 Isaack Grevraer.

3^d May :

Jan Hutsitson, Englishman, Ship
 Carpenter,
 Philip Jansen Ringo.

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Follows the Oath taken by the Burghers; drawn up by the R^t Hon^{ble} Director General and Council.

I, N. N., promise and swear in the presence of Almighty God to be true and faithful to the sovereignty of the Noble, High Mighty Lords States General of the United Netherlands and Supreme Jurisdiction of the Hon^{ble} Lords Directors of the Privileged West India Company as Lords and Patroons of this New Netherland Province, their Director General and Council already appointed or hereafter to be appointed; and to shew in the first place them, the Burgomasters and Rulers of this City, present and future, all respect and reverence and to obey them in all honest and just matters as a faithful subject and good Burgher is bound to do, as long as I shall continue in this Province. So Truly Help me God Almighty!

The 11th April, 1657.

Jacob Cohin Hendricus, a Jew, appears in the Court of Burgomasters; requests permission to bake and sell bread within this City, as other bakers, but with closed door. Which being deliberated on, 'tis decreed, as this is directly contrary to the privilege granted by the Honble Director General and Council to the Burghery of this City and also against the orders given by the Hon^{ble} Lords Majores, the petitioners request cannot be granted.

On the petition of Will^m Harck and Joris Wolsey, the Marshal de Vos is sent for to the Court of Burgomasters and ordered duly to fill his office without regard for any one and immediately to give new notice to Jan Larens.

Tibout Riversen requests by petition leave to tap. Whereupon is apostilled:—Before the petitioner's prayer can be granted, he must purchase his Burgher right within this City, when further disposition shall be made herein.

Asser Levy, a Jew, appears in Court; requests to be admitted a Burgher; claims that such ought not be refused him, as he keeps watch and ward (*tocht en wacht*) like other Burghers; shewing a Burgher certificate from the City of Amsterdam, that the Jew is Burgher there. Which being deliberated on, 'tis decreed as before that it cannot be allowed, and he shall apply to the Director General and Council.

Daniel Teneur appears in Court; requests that he may build on the

lot granted him by the City, as the timber is ready; but as it is understood, that he had sold the lot to Jan Videt contrary to order and also that the present middle door is regulated, 'tis finally resolved to inspect it.

Jan Larens appears in Court of Burgomasters, exhibiting *acte*, that he is summoned by the Marshal to satisfy the judgment, obtained against him by Will: Harck and Joris Wolsy respecting the ship the *Adventure*; to which order of execution he objects, as he has obtained letters from the North on the subject; and as he cannot have these as yet translated here, he demands time, until the next Monday then to exhibit them. Which is allowed the petitioner, and meanwhile the Marshal is ordered to defer the execution of the judgment. Done, this 12th April 1657.

Whereas the quarter has expired, when all tavern keepers must take out a renewal of a tapsters license the Court Messenger is therefore charged to warn all tavern keepers, on pain of being excluded from their business, if they remain in default.

Warnaer Wessels and Paulus van Beeck, Farmers of the Weigh-scales, appearing in Court, request, that a sworn attendant on the Scales be appointed by the Court according to custom of our Fatherland; propose for that purpose Joost Goderisen the attendant on the Weighhouse, promising to give him a reasonable fee from themselves in addition to his ordinary salary the same as the other labourers, and even to keep the great book.

But whereas the Weigh scales concern the Company, it is resolved to communicate the petitioner's request and offer to the Director Gen'l, and see that it be forwarded.

Andries Jochemsen requests by petition permission to tap, whereupon is apostilled: Petitioner's request is granted, provided he take out a proper licence therefor like others.

Lourens Cornelis van der Wel appears in the Court of Burgomasters representing, that he has already performed divers extraordinary services in time of need etc, both as a Gunner of this City as also in the South River, and that if necessary, he is ready to serve. Requesting therefore the benefit of the Great Burger Right. Burgomasters considering the manifold services of the petitioner and his good disposition to continue

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it if necessary, grant his petition and he is therefore inscribed and has taken the Burgher oath.

Pieter Ebel appearing in Court of Burgomasters requests also to be inscribed as Burgher, as he has been long in the country, and performed many services for it, but as the petitioner does not reside at present here in the City, he is put off, until he comes to reside here, when his request shall be attended to.

The skipper of the stranded ship appears with the Notary Klock in the Court of Burgomasters; requests an order to obtain copy of what the Heer Alricx has written to Capt Marten [Krigier]; also copy of the declaration of attachment on his goods. Petitioner is granted copy of the attachment, to bring in his action on the next Court day.

Thursday, 19th April, 1657. In the City Hall. Met the W. Heeren Burgomasters.

On the petition of the Neighbours in the *Glaziers Street* * for a cart way to the Strand, as was promised them, is apostilled: As soon as the general survey is made, further attention shall be paid to the petitioners' request, that a suitable road be made.

The petition of the neighbours near Marten Krigiers on the *Graft*, for the repair of the *Graft*, being examined it is resolved to defer its disposal until the general survey be done.

Thursday the 26th April 1657; Both the Burgomasters being met at the City Hall at Amsterdam, in N: Netherland.

Warnaer Wessels appears in the Court of Burgomasters with Joost Goderisen, requesting that the Magistrates may please to appoint said Goderis as Weighmaster, and confirm him in said office. And whereas petitioners request is deemed just, therefore the fitness of said Goderis for said office being looked into, he is accepted therefor and confirmed therein; and has taken the following Oath.

* Evert Duyckinck, glazier, had a lot on Stone Str., a little West of William, and this application was apparently for the opening of a cartway in William Str. at that point, so as to allow the inhabitants of that part of Beaver Str. communication with the shore at Pearl Str. See Map of Lots, Valentine's Manual, 1857, p. 498, where that part of William Str. is only outlined; the date of its opening being determined by this entry.—B. F.

I promise and swear in the presence of the Most High, that in the office of Weighmaster I shall do equal justice to every one, both buyer and seller, without distinction of persons, and duely and honestly enter all that shall be Weighed, without any deceit. So Truly Help Me God Almighty!

Warnaer Wessels requests, also, that the weights in the Weighhouse may be corrected and stamped, so as to prevent all difference, that may arise therefrom. And whereas the weights in the Weigh house are not correct, it is resolved to confer with the Hon^{ble} General thereon, as his Honor is concerned.

Burgher Jorisen * appears in Court requesting to know, how it shall be with the lot shewn to him, in place of what is cut off from him, as he has sold a part of it. Whereupon Burgomasters answer and resolve that he shall hold what is shewn him and he may sell it and set it off, and that a proper deed shall be given him of it on the first opportunity.

Isaack de Foreest requests by petition the privilege of the Great Burgher Right, as he has been here in the Country over 20 years; has built considerably in this City and performed many services etc. as more fully mentioned in the petition. Whereupon was apostilled:—Burgomasters decree, that petitioners request cannot be granted according to the order of the Director General and Council and the explanation of the great and small Burgher right. Done etz.

The Jailer Antony Lodwick Baeck requests by petition to have fl. 24 on his salary. Whereupon was apostilled: The Treasurer is ordered to pay the above fl. 24 to the Jailer in deduction of his Yearly allowance. Done in Court.

Jan Videt requests to build on Daniel Teneur's lot, which being considered, tis decreed as the lot is cut in two, and a corner house is to be on it, that such little houses cannot be placed there; therefore petitioners request to build there is rejected.

Willem Brouwer requests, that the Costs incurred in the Suit against

* Borgen Jorisen from Silesia obtained in 1643 a piece of land about 140 feet front on the North side of Stone Str. and 130 feet deep towards Hanover Square. The present William Str. to Pearl Str. was cut through the eastern part of this lot about this time and to indemnify Jorisen for the damage, another lot was granted to him Febr^y 14, 1660, on the East side of Smith (now William) Str. *Valentine, Manual, 1865, p. 666.*

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Adⁿ Vincent may be taxed. Whereunto is answered, that such must be done by the Burgomasters and Schepens or a majority of them.

Thursday the 3^d May 1657: In the City Hall. Assembled the Burgomasters Paulus Leendertsen van Grift and Allard Anthony.

Whereas the term of the presiding Burgomaster is expired, Allard Anthony has therefore delivered over to H^r vander Grist as President some minutes etc.

Jan Hutsitson, English ship carpenter, appears in Court requesting also to be admitted a Burgher; as he was not heretofore present at the appointed time. Whereupon he is informed, that he cannot leave on some occasions, but must keep watch and ward like other Burghers, which he promises; and therefore he is admitted a Burgher and has taken the oath of fidelity.

Resolveert Waldron being admitted a Burgher has this date taken the oath of fidelity.

Daniel Litscho appears in Court according to order of last Monday, demanding payment of fl. 150 for the loss of his lot and fl. 92: 8. for 64 pieces of planks delivered to the City for the arranging of the shore piling (*d' Waal*). Whereas he, Litscho, owes fl. 50. on account of the assessment of 1655, it is deducted from fl. 92: 8 and for the balance fl. 42: 8 an order is given on the Treasurer. As for the fl. 150 for the lot, which has been taken away by the survey, he shall be paid from the other lots, which remain, and care be taken, that he be paid within 14 days.

Johannes Nevius appears in Court according to affixed notices, requesting satisfaction for his lot taken away by the survey, and for the damage suffered thereby; demanding between four and five hundred guilders for damage he has suffered, but says he is willing to abide by the assessment of impartial persons. Burgomasters state and decree, that the damage shall be assessed, on the first opportunity, by arbitrators, and promise to take care, that he be satisfied.

Madaleen Vincent demands satisfaction for the cutting off part of her lot for the road. But whereas it is of little or no importance, and is for her own advantage, it is decided, that nothing is due for it; but promise that it will be inspected on the first opportunity.

Jan Vinge appears in Court according to public notice, demanding

payment for timber, palisades and other articles. And whereas he has no a/c of particulars, he is ordered to deliver in, to the next Court a pertinent a/c., when he shall receive an order the Treasurer for what is coming to him.

Jan Vinge requests in like manner, for C: van Tienhoven's wife, satisfaction for the lot through which the road is run. Whereupon it is resolved, to make inspection and then to dispose of the matter.

Item.

Hon^{ble} Gentlemen,

Pursuant to your order to make known the damage suffered by individuals from the survey of this City, the heirs of dec^d Aryaentie Cuvilje claim, for breaking of fences and injury of grain etc. in consequence of running the Walls of this City through their land, to have been damaged as much, as arbitrators shall in fairness estimate. Was undersigned

Abraham Verplanck,

J: Vinge,

The mark of D: Folckertsen.

Apostille:—Burgomasters intention is, that the damage from the last survey be brought in and not from that previous and consequently the petitioners' request cannot be granted. Yet it will be attended to. Done 3^d May 1657. At Amsterdam in N: Netherland.

Allard Anthony demands, among other things, satisfaction for the survey through his garden and the taking away his lot given again to Borger Jorisen in satisfaction for Borger's lot, through which the street was run. Decreed that arbitrators Shall be appointed to estimate the damage.

Juryaen Blanck appears in Court; and as he was not present heretofore to swear allegiance with the other Burghers, he has now taken the Oath of fidelity and is, therefore, admitted a Burgher.

Albert Leendert demands indemnification of the damage suffered by running the survey through his lot, which was granted his wife, as his timber lay ready. But as the lot was granted on behalf of the City, tis decreed, that there can be no claim for damage; however tis promised, that inspection shall be made.

Philip Jansen Ringo appears in Court, and as he was not heretofore present to take the oath with the other Burghers, he is now admitted and took the necessary Oath.

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Burgomasters resolved to notify every one by the following order duely to set off and fence in his lot:—

N: N. is hereby ordered to regulate his fence according to the general survey within 14 days after notice hereof on pain of fl. 25. should he remain in default thereof, and it shall then also be removed at his expence. Done in the Court of Burgomasters of the City of Amsterdam in N: Netherl^d this 3^d May 1657.

Signed, by order of said Burgomasters,

Jacob Kip, Secretary.

To Jacob van Couwenhoven, Frerick Lubbertsen, Jochem Beeckman, Tomas Frericksen, N: de Sille, C: van Tienhoven, Domine Driesses six houses, Abraham Verplanck, C. Van Elslant, Gerrit the Miller, the H: Blommaert.

Jacob Kip is ordered to pay the sum of one hundred guilders for the lot granted to the widow of David Provoost dec^d

The Secretary C: V: Ruyven is requested and ordered, to give Jacob Kip a deed of the foregoing lot. Signed by the President P. van Grift.

This day, the 15th May 1657, are agreed and covenanted together, the Burgomasters of the City of Amsterdam in N: Netherland on the one part, and Jan Jansen of Amesfoort (batchelor) carpenter on the other side; for the hire of the aforesaid Jan Jansen to build for the City—in manner as follows:

The abovenamed Jan Jansen of Amesfoort hires himself as a free person to the Burgomast^r of the aforesaid City for the term of six consecutive months, which shall commence on the next 25th day of the month of May and terminate on the 25th November next, to serve during the said time the aforesaid City as a carpenter, diligently and faithfully as an honest and industrious mechanic is bound to do, in all such work as the said gentlemen shall employ him in: For which service of his, the Burgomasters of said City promise to pay the abovenamed Jan Jansen the sum of sixty five guilders per month, payable each month in good current pay, and that on his Jan Jansen's own board and lodging: And it is well and expressly conditioned, that if said Jan Jansen lose any day during the six months by consent and with the pleasure of the Burgomasters he shall be bound to make it good and fulfil it afterwards: Declaring thus to have covenanted and agreed; promising each in his

aforesaid capacity to observe and perform it, under bond of all laws. In witness whereof, this is signed by the respective parties, together with M^r Abraham Staets and Jan Gillisen Verbrugge as witnesses. Done as above at Amsterdam in New Netherland. Was signed

P: L: vandie Grift,
Allard Anthony,
Jan Jansen,
Abram Staets,
Joh Gillisen Verbrugge.

To my knowledge,

Jacob Kip, Secretary.

Paulus Van der Beeck as farmer of the Burgher excise is hereby ordered to pay to Burgomaster Allard Anthony within the time of thrice 24 hours after Notice hereof, what he owes the City by balance of the first half year of the Burgher excise, on pain of execution. Done this 16th May, 1657. at Amsterdam in N: Netherland.

Burgomasters' Order.

To the Right Hon^{ble} Director General and

Councillors of N: Netherland.

The Burgomasters of this City represent with due reverence, that they have, through daily occupation from City affairs, so much to do, that they are forced almost entirely to neglect their private affairs relating to their families; for they must attend not only all ordinary and extraordinary Court days along with the Schepens, but also sit every Thursday precisely, their day fixed for City affairs; besides that, they must also attend to building, piling, surveying and a multitude of Burgher matters, as your Honors very well know: And moreover, it appearing from the urgent petition of the Officer, who endeavours to depose the said Burgomasters from their presidency, and to make himself president of the Bench, which was granted them by the Rt. Hon^{ble} Director General and Councillors, and afterwards approved by the Hon^{ble} Lords Mayors—the Petitioners therefore humbly request for the reasons aforesaid, and in order not to nullify the privileges given and granted to our Court, that they may be dismissed from the Bench of Schepens, and properly attend to the matters concerning their office and the City; leaving the presidency

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of the Schout and the Schepens, to the disposition and resolution of the Right Hon^{ble} Director General and Council.

Awaiting hereupon your Honours favorable determination, we remain

Your Hon^{rs} Subjects the Burgomasters of the City of
Amsterdam in New Netherland.

(Signed by) P. L. Vander Grift,

Allard Anthony.

Done this 26th June 1657. Amsterdam in N: Netherland.

To the Hon^{ble} Director General and Council of N: Netherland.

The Burgomasters of the City of Amsterdam in N: Netherland represent with all reverence the low condition, in which they find the state and treasury of this City, and the necessity of the City's works as well at the City Hall as the sheet piling at the *Graft* etc., which require very much to be repaired and done as we have frequently represented to your Honors; and as your petitioners through the necessity thereof have commenced to allow said work to be undertaken and wish to complete it, and for this purpose have need of some money which at present is not in the Treasury, they, therefore, respectfully request your Honors to be pleased to deposit for the present ten, twelve @ fifteen hundred guilders in the Treasury of this City to be employed for the good of this City, promising to repay it from the City revenue, on the first offering occasion. Awaiting hereupon your Honors' favorable apostille, we Remain Your Honors' subjects,

The Burgomasters of the City of Amsterdam.

Done this 26th June 1657. Amsterdam in N: Netherland.

This day being the 30th June 1657 we the Undersigned Pieter van Couwenhoven and Waraer Wessels chosen Arbitrators of the Burgomasters on the one side, and Gillis Pietersen and Isack Kip on the other side, in the matter of the lot, house and property thereof according to deed dated 1653: 22^d January, situate between the house of Daniel Litschoe and this City's Wall, the difference being about the purchase; have at the request of parties found that the Burgomasters shall on behalf of the City pay unto Gillis Pietersen and Isack Kip, once, the sum of Five hundred and fifty guilders in merchantable zeawant, within the time of one month. In Witness whereof parties, with arbitrators have signed this contract with their own hands. Done as above at Amsterdam in N: Netherland, was signed

Pieter van Couwenhoven, } arbitrators;
 Warnae Wessels, }
 P. L: van die Grift,
 Allard Anthony,
 Jelis Pietersen,
 Isack Kip.

Pursuant to the above agreement, the Burgomasters have passed an Obligation to Gillis Pietersen and Isack Kip for the aforesaid fl. 550 payable in a month, and have therefor mortgaged the said house and lot. Whereupon the said Gillis Pietersen and J: Kip have delivered up the deed and conveyance.

Thursday 15th Novemb^r 1657. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Paulus Leendertsen vander Grift, Allard Anthony.

The Burgomasters order the following apostilles on the subjoined petitions:—

On Andries Jochemsen's petition is apostilled:—For reason the petitioner's request is refused.

On Arent Jansen's petition; on petition of Styntie Hermans, wife of Cornelis Hendricksen; on Frerick Arentsen's petition. On these three is apostilled:—Petitioners shall be shewn a lot.

Respecting the difference in a/c between Jan Vigne and the City, Burgomasters have agreed with the abovenamed Jan Vigne, and ordered him to receive payment from the H^r Treasurer.

Further ordered by the Burgomasters, that a notice be drawn about the stealing of the timber; also a placard regarding the throwing filth in the *Graft*.

Thursday, 29th Novemb^r 1657. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Paulus Leendersen vander Grift, Allard Anthony.

Joost Teunisen, baker, and M^r Jacob Varrevanger, surgeon, appear in Court, having a difference with each other regarding a gore of a lot situate by the house and lot of the aforenamed Joost Teunissen, which house and lot he sold to M^r Jacob abovenamed; which gore of a lot M^r Jacob says, was granted him by the General, and will prove so by Secretary Van Ruyven, that he asked a deed of it 2 or 3 times which he

had measured. Joost Teunisen, baker, says, it was granted him by the Burgomasters. The Heeren Burgomasters say, that they gave it to Joost Teunisen to obviate disputes, as Joost Teunisen, baker, could not deliver M^r Jacob Varrevanger, what he sold him. In order, that Joost Teunisen, baker, may be able to fulfil his contract regarding the sale of his house and lot to M^r Jacob Varrevanger, he is allowed and granted the piece of a lot contained without the deed, made between him and M^r Jacob abovenamed, and as acknowledgment thereof shall pay to the Treasurer Olof Stevensen the sum of fl. 40: which piece of land being received the sworn surveyor Jacques Corteljauw shall endorse on the back of the deed its measurement.

M^r Jacob Varrevanger is granted the corner lot situate next to Joost Teunisen, Baker's lot and shall pay as an acknowledgment therefor to the Treasurer Oloff Stevensen the sum of fl. 40 : which corner being measured by the sworn Surveyor Jacques Corteljau, the same shall be deeded to him.

For the loss of the Burgomaster Allard Anthony's lot by the survey, he is allowed three hundred guilders, and in payment thereof an order is made on the Treasurer Olof Stevensen.

The Burgomasters direct two orders to be made out for the collection by the Treasurer, of the Monies for Joost Teunisen, Baker's and M^r Jacob Varrevanger's lots.

The Burgomasters order Claes Van Elslandt the Court Messenger to take an order to repair to the persons, who have obtained lots from the City and ask them, if they will build or not ; and to report thereon ; and to send for those, who will build to come to the City Hall next Thursday precisely at nine o'Clock in the morning.

Thursday, 7th Decemb^r 1657. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Paulus Leendersen vander Grift, Allart Anthony.

The Burgomasters having resolved to send for the persons, who have obtained lots from the City ; also for those, who are to sheet the bank of the River (*de Waal*) ; to ascertain their resolution ; having appeared in Court they answered :—

Hendrick the Baker undertakes to set the fence beside the hall.

Hillegond Joris, Sibout Clasen, Adolf Pietersen, Sibrant Jansen, The Curators of the Estate of J : Pietersen Resolve to meet together in the af-

ternoon and see, if they can agree about the work. They undertake to bring sods.

Hans Dreper, Frans Jansen, Samuel [Etsal] the Hatter, Nicolaes [Jansen] Backer, Jan Perier, are ready to begin and complete the work.

Pieter Wolfersen intends to build in the Spring.

Willem Doeckes is recommended to go on with the work.

Pieter Rudolfus appearing in Court is asked, whether he intends to build on his lot and having answered, Yes ; he is asked, if he has paid the Treasurer fl. 175. according to the General's Assessment ? Says, he knows nothing about it, and that it was given him by the General. The Magistrates answer him that 't was given him the same as to the others.

Hermje at the Poor's Bouwery, intends to build in the spring. The Magistrates will order the Treasurer, to draw out an obligation of what she shall have to pay within one @ two months as an acknowledgement of the lot granted her.

Arent Lauwrensen is ordered to pay to the Treasurer what he promised.

Albert Jansen intends to build between this and May and undertakes to pay the Treasurer.

Thursday 20th Decemb^r 1657. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Paulus Leendertsen vander Grift, Allard Anthony.

Cornelis Hendrickzen's wife appears in Court, and requests as pr. apostille granted on her petition dated 15th November ; praying, that the Magistrates would be pleased to designate her lot ; who have presented her the lot, which was granted to Nicolaas Bernart, on condition to build thereon between this and May. It is situated on the South side of the Smith street (*de Smee Straet*), being Lot N^o 5. on the Map.

Barent Egbersen appearing in Court, requests to have a lot ; and the Magistrates granted him the lot heretofore granted to Jan Martyn situate on the south side of the Smith street, being Lot N^o 6 in the Map ; on condition to build on it between this and May, and to pay fl. 50 to the Treasurer.

Whereas the Burgomasters of the City of Amsterdam in N : Netherland have understood, that the R^t Hon^{ble} Director General has presented some lots to some persons and the same are also given to others without knowing, that the same were granted by the Hon^{ble} D^t Gen^l. already ;

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and in order that no mistake may occur thereby, their Worships have therefore resolved, to request of the Hon^{ble} Direct^r General by petition, that he would be pleased to grant them an *Acte* giving them the disposal of the lots, which are not mentioned in the ground briefs ; also of the lots which are still ungranted and of those disposed of, to concede these as his Honour shall think best.

Nicolaas Backer, Frans Jansen, Hans Roothaar [Red Hair] are asked, why the fence does not progress? Answer, that it is not their fault, but that it is not agreed for, nor contracted out.

Samuel Etsal appearing in Court says, that Frans Jansen is the cause, that his part of the work does not go ahead ; promise therefore together to commence immediately.

Jacob Strycker appears in Court requesting a lot for his brother.

The Burgomasters grant him the lot, which was heretofore given to Jan Dame, as he neglected to build. It is situate in the *Cingel*, next to Jan Jansen van Langedyck's lot, 30 feet (wood measure) wide on the Street ; extending from the road back to Andrees' lot.

Friday 4th January, 1658 ; In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Burgomasters Paulus Leendersen vander Grift, Allard Anthony.

Whereas the Brewers Street is difficult to be made use of in dirty and bad weather, especially in winter, it has been deemed expedient to recommend the Street Inspectors to lay out the above named Street, to consider the survey thereof and the necessity of its being paved ; having therefore deliberated with the Street Inspectors, who appeared in Court, how such had best be done ; whether each resident, or occupant of a house in the street shall pave before his lot or whether the City should have it done at their expence,—and as no conclusion could be come to this day, it is postponed to the next occasion.

Herry Breser is hereby ordered, by direction of the Burgomasters of the City of Amsterdam in N : Netherland to make up his sheet piling and to anchor and raise it properly without loss of time. Done as above By order of the Burgomasters aforesaid.

Thursday, 14th January, 1658. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Paulus Leendersen vander Grift, Allard Anthony.

The Court having examined the petition dated 15th March 1655 pre-

sented by the residents of the Brewers' Street to the Burgomasters in their assembly, the following disposition is made thereof :—

Whereas it is necessary that the Brewers Street be paved with stone, the Burgomasters have constituted and authorized as overseers thereof the persons of Isaacq de Foreest and Jieronimus Ebbing to contract this winter, in presence of the presiding Burgomaster, for the pebble stone, so as to begin in the spring, and to assess, after the work is finished, each house standing in the street ; and to this end the following authority is given them :—

WARRANT.

Whereas the inhabitants of the Brewers' Street have requested of the Burgomasters by petition in consequence of the unfitness of the Brewers' Street for some time past, to be used, and they, the petitioners, are inclined to pave the aforesaid street with pebble stone ; also offer to do the same for the benefit and ornament of this City ; whereas necessity demands it, and the Burgomasters of the abovenamed City taking the same into consideration and according to apostille on the aforesaid petition dated as above, resolve to make a beginning therein, and in order, that it may be done with greater zeal and unanimity, their Worships have deemed it expedient, that overseers and managers thereof be appointed, their Worships therefore hereby constitute and authorize the persons of Isaack de Foreest and Jieronimus Ebbingh to contract in the presence of the presiding Burgomaster for the stone, suitable for such work, on the first opportunity this winter, so as to make a commencement in the spring, in presence of which presiding Burgomaster they are authorized after the completion of the work, to assess each house in aforesaid street, in proportion for the expence of the same. Thus done and resolved in the meeting of the Burgomasters of the abovenamed City the 24th January 1658.

By order of the aforesaid Magistrates,

Joannes Nevius, Sec^r.

To the Right Hon^{ble} Director General and Supreme Council.

Right Hon^{ble}

The Burgomasters of this City of Amsterdam in the N. Netherland respectfully represent to Your Hon^r the low state of their revenue. Your Hon^r very well know, likewise, the many necessary repairs to the City's

works ; and as such are consuming considerable money, and the City's income is not adequate to defray the prosecution of the aforesaid repairs ; they, the petitioners therefore turn to your Hon^r with humble petition, that your Hon^r would be pleased to favor them with the proceeds of the Weighscales according to the laudable custom of our Fatherland, either in whole or in parts ; If your Hon^r shall be pleased to favour the City, a new Scales shall be constructed according to custom of the City of Amsterdam, or the old repaired and brought wherever Your Hon^r shall please to order and shall deem and think best. Herein expecting your Hon^r favorable apostille we are and Remain Your Honors' Servants,

The Burgomasters of this aforesaid City.

By order of Burgomasters of the City aforesaid.

Joannes Nevius, Sec^r

In Amsterdam in N : Netherland the 22^d January 1658.

Whereas the contract made between the Burgomasters and the Orphan Masters relative to the house and lot of the children of Jacob Looper* dec^d situate on the *Heeren Graght*, which was written by the former Secretary Timotheus de Gabry, is lost, the Burgomasters therefore resolved to order a certificate of said contract and to write a letter concerning it to the late Secretary ; but the order for the certificate is deferred and the letter reads as follows :—

To Sieur Timotheus Gabry.

A^o 1658, this 25. January in Amsterdam in N : Netherl^d

Hon^{ble} Discreet and good Friend, Health.

These serve to let your Hon^r Know, that the Burgomasters of this City have enquired through me their Secretary for the contract made with the Orphan Masters of this City respecting the house and lot of the children left by N. Looper dec^d, which stood by the *Heeren Graght* next to the house and lot of Joghim Pietersen Cuyter dec^d, which was written by you ; and whereas the abovenamed have need of the aforesaid contract, and do not find it either among the papers lying at the City Hall, nor at the Secretary's, nor is it registered, which seems strange to their Worship's ; they, therefore, request, should the abovementioned contract be accidentally among your papers, that you would be pleased to send it

* He had married a daughter of Cornelis Melyn, from whom he obtained the above mentioned lot, which was on the East side of Broad St., North of Pearl.—B. F.

over by the first opportunity ; or should it not be among your papers to advise us, where it may, to the best of your recollection, be found, as much is depending on it. Which expecting we commend you as well as friends in general to the merciful protection of the Most High. Your sincere friend,

Joannes Nevius.

By order of the Burgomasters of the City aforesaid.

The Superscription is Hon^{ble} Discreet Timotheus de Gabry residing in the South River.

On the 25th January is received the apostille on the Burgomasters petition dated 22^d January 1658, respecting the receipt of some of the proceeds of the Weigh Scales: The apostille reads as follows:—

Director General and Council cannot consent to this petition without advice from the Burgomasters, as the Weighscales is a Domain or Regalia, solely dependant on the right of Patroonship. Meanwhile they are obliged to remark with surprize both on this and other petitions of a like nature, and to notify by apostille, that it is practicable in our Fatherland both in the Cities and villages, if any public or common Works are constructed for their necessity or ornament by the Burghers and inhabitants; for whose benefit the works are intended, without reducing thereby the income of the general government, as Burgomasters and Schepens have endeavoured to do against the advices and remonstrances both of the Lords Directors and the Director General and Council, and are still aiming at in requesting these and other Domains or other taxes of the Company, tending more to the burthening of others, than of themselves or this City's Burghers and inhabitants, the consenting to which would tend to the censure of the Director General and Council.

What further regards the point, that the City's works are in great need of repair, etc.

Though Director General and Council somewhat admit, that some public works are necessary to be made and others to be repaired, and that money and means are necessary thereto, Director General and Council must say with sorrow and regret, that the revenues of the City already consented to were not so economically administered and laid out as might well have been, and as the former and past matter of the year 1652 and 1653 was, regarding the granted tappers excise They shall only say that Burgomasters and Schepens were since allowed—

Firstly, An Assessment on all Burghers and inhabitants,
Scots, traders and factors, amounting according to
the list, to about..... fl. 6000.

And there was employed, or submitted to the dis-
posal of the Burgomasters and Schepens, for the
payment of the debts contracted in the last conflict
with the Indians..... fl.

Secondly ; They were allowed a fair Burgher Excise on
the consumption of wines and beer ; farmed last
year for the sum of..... fl. 4200.
this year for..... fl. 3700.

Thirdly ; A fair impost on slaughtered meat, farmed last
year for..... fl. 720.
this year for..... 1457.

Fourthly : They were allowed a tapsters license in form
of a permit, being one pound flemish per quarter for
each tapster.

Fifthly ; The stamping of all measures, cans, barrels and
weights.

Sixthly ; The Director General and Council have granted
and conveyed to Burgomasters the unconceded lots
within this City's walls.

Seventhly ; The great and small burgher right.
What these four last amount to is unknown to the
Director General and Council, as no a/c thereof has
been exhibited to them up to this date.

Eighthly ; Director General and Council have given Bur-
gomasters and Schepens for the repairs of the Canal ?
(*de burgh wal*,) as a loan..... fl. 1000.
And yet they have not seen any proper a/c. of either
the one or the other.

Recently again Burgomasters were allowed to levy, once,
one beaver from each house within this City ;
And one guilder yearly for each chimney.

Since then a necessary tax on vacant lots, viz : the 15th
penny, being the last ; a revenue, which according

to the ground briefs should belong only to the Patroons or the Director General and Council in their behalf. Nevertheless it was granted to Burgomasters in consideration of the lowness of the City Treasury and in hope of good administration ; which though some are small, will yet render a reasonable sum when brought together.

However, in order, that the City may, once for all, be released from the old and new debts, the Director General and Council consent, but on approval and ratification of the Lords Directors and not otherwise, that hereafter a just fourth part of the Weighscales be paid to the City Treasurer and Receiver, on condition that due a/c and reliqua thereof and of the further granted and yet to be granted (taxes) shall always be rendered; and that Burgomasters hereafter (should a larger income be considered necessary for the behoof of the City) have to look for and provide subsidies, which regard not the General Government, but the Commonalty of this City. Thus done in the Assembly of the Hon^{ble} Director General and Council, held in fort Amsterdam in N. Netherland the 25th January, 1658.

Understood, By order of the Director General and Council of N: Netherland.

C. van Ruyven, Secret^r.

Thursday, 14th Feb^r 1658. Nicasius de Sille and Pieter Tonneman handed the Burgomasters a certain petition from the Director General, in terms as follows:—

To the Right Hon^{ble} Councillors of N: Netherland and the Hon^{ble} Burgomasters of the City of Amsterdam in N: Netherland.

Your Hon^{rs} petitioner, Petrus Stuyvesant, represents in due form and respect to the Councillors, in regard that it appertains to them to grant the ground brief; and to the Burgomasters, as the conveyance of the lots is left to them; that he to your Honors manifest knowledge and certainty hath with great cost and labour fenced, recovered and raised from the water and morass certain abandoned lots, granted in the year 1647 by the Director General Kieft, petitioner's predecessor, to one Jan Pietersen and by him or his attorney conveyed to one Thomas Baxter, a

bankrupt and fugitive from this Province in consequence of great debts; who also during the troubles with the English has plundered divers inhabitants of this province. Which lots after about 8 to nine thousand loads of sand were carted thereunto at the cost and charge of the Petitioner and still not raised enough, the petitioner has erected thereupon a costly and handsome building. The petitioner judging, that they are not sufficiently secured to him in case of dismissal from his office, or to his heirs in case of his death, in consequence of his not yet having any proper ground brief or conveyance therefor, and he cannot give himself any unquestionable title or conveyance to them, though the abovementioned lots were abandoned by the fugitive owner, who not appearing on his being summoned by the ringing of the bell, they reverted again to the Company as Lords and Patroons. He therefore turns towards you in due manner, requesting that your Honors, as Councillors on behalf of the Lords Directors, after rendering void the first ground brief, which however is not to be found on the Register, to be pleased to grant to petitioner ground brief and conveyance, and as Burgomasters to be pleased to endorse due transport thereon, to the end that the petitioner and his heirs may remain in unquestionable possession thereof and enjoy in peace the fruits of the great expence incurred and to be incurred.

The Direct^r General's request being presented in the annexed petition to the Council, the ground-brief is granted after proper survey be made. Done in Amsterdam in N. Netherland the 14th February, 1658. Was signed Nicasius de Sille, Pieter Tonneman.

Is apostilled. Whereas the Direct^r General and Council were pleased to grant to the City all vacant lots, which were not conceded and the General has ornamented the place with a handsome building, and requests due conveyance according to the survey, which we cannot refuse him, but approve and commend the same. Done Amsterdam in N: Netherland 14 February 1658. By Order of the Burgomasters of the City aforesaid. Joannes Nevius, Sec^r

The petitioner further remonstrates, that in virtue of like ground brief executed by said Kieft in the year 1647 aforesaid, in favour of Joghim Kierstede, copy whereof is annexed, his brother Hans Kierstede, surgeon of this place, lays claim to the land lying south of the petitioners enclosed and fenced lot. Whether the same has reverted back to the

Company or continues the property of M^r Hans Kierstede as heir of his brother Joghim Kierstede, in regard that it still lies not only unbuilt on, but also unenclosed, unfenced and unimproved either by the first owner Joghim Kierstede, who was drowned in the Princess, or by Hans Kierstede, at present possessing during eleven successive years his deceased brother's ground brief; the petitioner does not intend to question, much less to abridge the pretended owner in his accrued right and property; the petitioner only requests, that the pretended owner, if he will continue in the possession, may be ordered to inclose, improve and fence the aforesaid lot as it becomes a neighbour, so that your Hon^{rs} petitioner, his next neighbour, and other neighbours may not suffer any loss or damage thereby; it being the custom here and elsewhere, that neighbours act neighbour-like and erect together the common sheet piling or contribute to the expence thereof. Which doing etc.

Is apostilled:—Whereas Joghim Kierstede has a lot south of the Generals lot, and the General requests that his neighbour may be ordered to sheet and raise the lot and they find the same to consist with justice, The Burgomasters therefore order the heirs of the abovenamed Joghim Kierstede to sheet and raise it the same as their neighbours, or to surrender the same. Done Amsterdam in N. Netherland the 14th February 1658. By Order of the Burgomasters of the aforesaid City. Joannes Nevius, Secret^r

Thursday 21st Feb^r 1658: In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Paulus Leendertsen vander Grift, Olof Stevensen Cortlant.

The Court concluded to propose to the Board on the next Court day and to draft a resolution respecting the disposal of the fines.

The three workmen at the *Graght* being summoned to the Court and appearing were asked why they do not return to work? Answer they had not suitable weather. Whereupon they were told, that complaints were lodged against them, that there was no filling in, and they were therefore ordered to begin, which they promise to do, and that they shall not be any hindrance. Meanwhile Sibout Clasen shall be ordered to make tight his sheet piling; they promise to commence next week, as the tide does not permit at the present time.

Claas van Elslandt presents a petition to the Court to be an attendant

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on the Market (*hal knecht*). Whereupon it is resolved to communicate it to the Director General.

Jan Jansen van Brestee presents a petition to the Court, that he may brand or mark the beer barrels. It is also resolved to communicate it to the Direct^r General.

According to Resolution, Wernaar Wessels is allowed the guaging of the barrels for all his life, but the branding for one year.

Whereas the nomination of Orphan Masters and Churchwardens is at hand, the Burgomasters proceeded to nominate

For Orphan Master :

Allard Anthony,
Wilhelmus Beeckman.

For Church Warden :

Hendrick Jansen van der Vin,
Pieter Cornelisen van der Veen.

Allard Anthony is ordered to make an inventory of all the papers in his possession, relating to the City; also the acc^t of the great and small Burgher Right.

Honorable Valiant:

Whereas you were pleased to favour the Burgomasters of this City of Amsterdam in N: Netherland with the nomination of the succeeding Church Wardens and Orphan Masters, and the time of election is at hand, for this purpose, therefore the Burgomasters propose a double number and nominate these following persons:—

As Orphan Master :

Allard Anthony,
Wilhelmus Beeckman.

As Church Warden :

Hendrick Jansen van der Vin,
Pieter Cornelisen van der Veen.

Requesting your Honors to elect from them such as your Honors shall judge the most competent, the most intelligent and best fitted for that office. Done Amsterdam in N. Netherland at the Court of Burgomasters at the City Hall the 21st Feb^r 1658.

Understood By order of the Burgomasters of the City aforesaid.

Joannes Nevius, Secretary.

Extract from the Register of the Resolutions of the Hon^{ble} Direct^r General and Councillors of N: Netherland adopted in their Hon^{ble} Court Tuesday, 26th February A^o 1658.

Whereas one Orphan Master and one Church Warden have served out their time, and Burgomasters of this City have therefore nominated and proposed a double number of persons, with request that Director General and Council should therefrom select others in place of the retiring: The Director General and Council of N: Netherland do therefore elect and confirm from the nominated, instead of the retiring

As Orphan Master :
Wilhelmus Beeckman.

As Church Warden :
Hendrick Jansen van der Vin.

Thus done at the Assembly of the Hon^{ble} Director General and Council afores^d in fort Amsterdam in N: Netherland. Ady, as above.

Agrees with the aforesaid Resolution

C: Van Ruyven, Secretary.

Thursday, 28th Feb^r 1658. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Paulus Leendertsen van der Grift, Olof Stevensen Cortlant.

Whereas to the Court is exhibited the election made by Director General and Council of the succeeding Orphan Master and Churchwarden in place of the retiring: The elected Wilhelmus Beeckman as Orphan Master and Hendrick Jansen van der Vin as Churchwarden are sent for to Court, who appearing are informed thereof and are accepted by the Burgomasters and wished luck in their office.

Allard Anthony appears in Court bringing with him and exhibiting to the Court all the papers and documents belonging to the City, which were in his possession.

Annetje Smits appears in Court and is informed by the Magistrates, that they had made a map or plan of her ground according to the latest measurement and find, that it does not agree with the ground brief, but that she has fenced in more ground than belongs to her, according to the evidence of the ground brief, whereof she sold to Isaacq Kip one rod, three feet six inches. Answers, she sold by the little corner without measuring, and she received it so fenced from Pieter Cornelissen. The

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Burgomasters say, that she shall make other satisfaction. If she do so, she shall retain the money, which she received for the ground that did not belong to her.

Isaack Kip appears in Court; is asked how much does he come short on Teunis Cray's side? Answers about three inches.

Hendrick Willemsen, baker, appears in Court, and is informed, that his lot is measured and found to be more than is mentioned in the ground brief. Answers, the Magistrates do not mistake: saying his lot is 15 rods.

Schepen Pieter Wolfersen van Couwenhoven appearing in Court is informed of the election of Orphan Master, to wit, Wilhelmus Beeckman with him.

Annetje Smits was offered by the Magistrates the privilege of purchasing the strip of land alongside her little lot for the sum of 250 guilders, payable between this and May. Answers, she cannot pay the money in that time, but offers fl. 150. and shall then do her best. Whereupon the Magistrates offered the said strip to Hend'k [Willemsen] the baker and as the abovenamed Hendk the baker offered Anna Smits 300 gl. for the aforesaid strip, it is offered to him for this price and he took it for the same.

Teunis Cray appearing in Court is informed, when the Surveyor comes, the lot shall be conveyed.

Thomas Swartwout appears in Court requesting the small Burgher Right, and took his oath in Court, signing an obligation for fl. 20. payable therefor.

On Nicolaas Boot's acc^t for the sum of fl. 87. is apostilled, that it shall be defrayed, if it be not already settled on the Company's book or not paid by the late Secretray Jacob Kip; whereof the petitioner is ordered to produce proof in Court. Done 1st March, 1658.

Albert Jansen requests, as he is about to build a house, and his lot is too small, that another lot be granted him: Petitioner is granted the lot next to Jaunettie Boone's lot, on condition of paying, what it is rated.

Thursday 7th March 1658. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Paulus Leendertsen van der Grift, Olof Stevensen Cortlandt.

Jan Jansen van Breesteede, being sent for to Court, appearing is asked, as he requested the branding of beer barrels, how much a piece

will he take? Leaves that to the discretion of the Magistrates and says one stiver per half barrel. But the Magistrates resolved and apostilled on his petition dated 21 Feb^r: Petitioner is granted the branding of the barrels for the term of one year, and shall receive two stivers for each; but the increase or diminution rests at the pleasure of the Burgomasters according to the instruction to him granted and still to be granted.

Allard Anthony appears in Court enquiring, what the Magistrates had against the acc^t? Answer, pointing out certain items to him to specify to and for what?

On Claas van Elslant Senior's petition dated 21st February, wherein he requests that the Magistrates would please to allow him to attend on the Market (*hal knecht*) as both the English and strangers sometimes ask, that some person may be appointed, who should keep block, scales and weights in the shambles, so as not to be at a loss, when they come there with their meat etc. Whereupon is apostilled: The petitioner's request is for certain reasons disallowed.

INSTRUCTION FOR THE BRANDER OF BEER-BARRELS OF THIS CITY OF
AMSTERDAM IN N: NETHERLAND.

Firstly. He shall be bound to take due care, that the barrels, before they be branded, shall be made of their proper size, neither too large nor too small, and to brand those, which are found so made.

Secondly. He shall be bound to pay due attention to his own barrels, and to brand them of their proper measure and not otherwise, on the forfeiture of his work and in addition three times the value thereof.

Thirdly. He is ordered again to brand anew all the barrels in the brewers houses on the first of May with the mark of the Year 1658, for which he shall receive one stiver a piece.

Fourthly. He shall be bound to accommodate each and every one without delay or hindrance and for this purpose remain within this City at his lodgings, or going out to leave word, where he shall be found, and comport himself as much as possible free from blame.

Fifthly. He shall be allowed to demand and receive two stivers each for what may be offered him to be branded; on condition of paying strict attention to their measure, that being neither too small nor too large.

Sixthly. The branding of barrels is granted to him, but the increas-

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ing or diminishing of the fee for each barrel shall remain at the discretion of the Burgomasters.

Finally and lastly. He shall promise and swear to behave himself faithfully and honestly in this office, without shewing or committing any manner of favour or disfavour.

And to the aforesaid office is elected and chosen Jan Jansen van Breestee, cooper, who has taken the proper oath of fidelity.

Thursday 21st March. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Paulus Leendersen vander Grift, Olof Stevensen Cortlant.

The Schout Nicasius de Sille appears in Court, stating, that Pieter Taalman had requested him to imprison Thomas Jongh, as he cannot get any money from him according to judgment. Tomas Jongh is asked why he does not satisfy Taalman's a/c. ? Answers is willing to do so; requesting some one to send for the money; which was granted, the Schout meanwhile was ordered not to permit him to leave the City Hall, before he has paid.

The Magistrates order the Secretary to furnish certificates of appointment to the Churchwardens and Orphan Masters.

Hans Vos residing at Fort Orange appears in Court with Jacob van Corlear informing the Burgomasters that he had, by petition exhibited to the Court, requested of the Director General and Council, that he may again have his wife's little boy, begot by Arent van Hattum and by said van Hattum bound to the abovenamed van Corlear for the term of four successive years, as the time is expired; on which petition the Director General and Council by apostille refer him to the Court of this City, to whom he makes this request. Jacob van Corlear answers, that Arent van Hattum had bound his child to him on condition not to give him up to any one else than to himself. Whereupon he is asked, whether there has been any contract made in writing ? Answers, yes; and that it was written by David Provoost, dec^d And whereas the aforesaid David's papers remain with the Notary de Vos, Hans de Vos and Jacob van Corlear are therefore ordered in writing to enquire of the Notary de Vos aforesaid for the contract. The abovenamed Corlaar says, his wife is better acquainted with the matter than he, as the abovenamed van Hattum contracted with her. Who appearing with the child in Court,

declares that Arent van Hattum entered into an agreement with her, that the child should remain with her for the term of five successive years for his board and clothes, and if said Van Hattum returned in the time of four years, that the child should be returned to him on paying 50 gl., because he did not reside the five years with her, according to the abovementioned contract, and says further that Jacques Corteljau is guardian for the child.

Friday, 22nd March 1658. At the meeting of the abovenamed Burgomasters.

Jacques Corteljau appearing at the Court of Burgomasters is asked, if he was appointed guardian over Arent Han Hattums child residing with Jacob van Corlaar? Answers, is not aware, of his own knowledge, that he is guardian of the child, but that van Hattum had said, he should have an eye to the child, and that the Notary Dirck van Schelluyne drew up a power of attorney to attend to his interests in this country, and if he be guardian of the child it must be entered in the power. Dirck van Schelluyne appearing in Court is asked, if he has drawn up for Van Hattum a power of attorney, and if he is aware, that there is mentioned in said power that Jacques Corteljau is guardian over the child? Answers, he drew a procuration, that Jacques abovenamed should take care only of Van Hattum's property in this country, but not for any guardianship. Jacob van Corlaar appears in Court; is asked if he has lifted copy of the contract? Answers, there is no contract; says further, he will retain the lad for his board and clothing; but if the Magistrates should please to take the child from him and give him to Hans Vos, he requests, that the Magistrates would release him from any protest, which van Hattum may enter on it. Whereupon he is asked, what he would demand for board and clothing in case the boy were handed over to Hans? Answers, he cannot have less than a Rix dollar per Week. Hans Vos appears in Court; is asked if he would be satisfied to leave the child one year more with Jacob van Corlaar? Answers, He wants the child. Whereupon he is asked, if he is willing to pay the aforementioned Corlaar the board and clothing of the child for the time he resided with him, or to leave the child another year? Answers, will let Corlaar retain the child another year, as he is not in such immediate want of him; but was desir-

ous that the child should learn something. The Court having heard parties and that Hans Vos consents that the aforesaid child may remain another year with Jacob Van Corlaar, orders therefore that the aforesaid child shall reside another year with the abovenamed Corlaar, when the five years shall have expired according to the verbal contract.

To the Right Hon^{ble} Director General and Councillors of N: Netherland.

Right Hon^{ble}

The Burgomasters of the City of Amsterdam in New Netherland respectfully represent, that they have been importuned at divers times by divers persons, interested as well in the estate of Joghim Pietersen Cuijter dec^d as in the estate of Pieter Anthony dec^d to regulate the abovementioned estates, so that they might come to their own; and whereas they will not proceed in said matters without your Honors knowledge and authority, as the lands lie beyond our jurisdictions and we would be willingly released from the trouble. Therefore your Honors are respectfully requested to communicate your pleasure thereupon, whether your Hon^{rs} will yourselves dispose of it or whether you will order, how you wish it to be disposed of, so that the creditors may obtain their own and we be discharged from the trouble. Awaiting hereupon your Hon^{rs} favorable pleasure We remain Your Honors Obedient Servant—The Burgomasters.

By order of the Burgomasters of the City

Amsterdam in N: Netherland.

Joannes Nevius, Sec^y

Apostille. The Burgomasters are hereby authorized to appoint and to qualify such persons, as they judge to be best and fittest for the winding up and regulation of the matters herein mentioned. Done Fortress Amsterdam in New Netherland the 26th March A^o 1658. By order of the Hon^{ble} Director General and Council of N. Netherland. C. van Ruyven, Secret^y

Burgomasters of the City of Amsterdam in N: Netherland order, that from now henceforward all who will purchase the great and small Burgher right shall promptly pay into the Treasury of this City, and those who have already bought it pay to within the space of 24 hours on pain of execution. Thus done at Amsterdam in N. Netherland the 26th March 1658.

This date, 26th March 1658 the Burgomasters abovenamed having

seen the award of arbitrators relative to the valuation of the goods in question between J: Hay and J: Mens, wherewith parties are not satisfied, therefore Burgomasters having examined into the matter and found, that the duffels were sold for fl. 4. the ell., payable in tobacco and the blankets @ 50^{lbs} tobacco a piece, they therefore order parties to regulate themselves accordingly; the duffels @ fl. 4. the ell and the blankets at 15^{lbs} of tobacco each. Thus done, by order of Burgomasters and president Schepen.

On the above date the President states, he informed the General, that 2 feet and three inches of ground lies between the house and lot of Sibout Clasen and the house left by Joghim Pietersen Cuiter dec^d, purchased by Hendrick Jansen van der Vin, and the General decides, that it must be built on, and no passage be left remaining. Therefore Burgomasters order, that the abovenamed Vander Vin may take the same on condition of paying according to estimation of arbitrators to be appointed by the Magistrates aforesaid, and Adolf Pietersen and Sibout Clasen were chosen for the valuation of the aforesaid little passage, which valuation he, Van der Vin, shall make good to the owner Cornelis Melein, according to the commission.

Sibout Claasen and Adolf Pietersen are hereby authorized and ordered by the Burgomasters of this City to value the strip of a lot lying between said Sibout Clasen and the house and lot belonging to ex-Schepen Hendrick Jansen vander Vin and to make known their valuation to the President of Burgomasters and Schepens. Thus done at Amsterdam in N: Netherland the 26th March, 1658.

Thursday, 28th March 1658. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Paulus Leendersen van der Grift, Olof Stevensen Cortlant.

The Schepen Isaack de Foreest appears in Court complaining that the inhabitants of the Brewers Street are unwilling to pay the tax laid for the benefit of the street, to pave the same; requesting, that the Heeren will be pleased to order payment.

Allard Anthony exhibits an account to the Court.

Schepen Pieter Wolfertsen van Couwenhoven exhibits in Court an a/c for plank delivered for the benefit of the City and fort, requesting payment by a petition; whereupon is apostilled: The Burgomasters

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promise to pay for half the aforesaid plank, as according to certificate hereunto annexed the planks were rode for the fort as well as for the City.

Salomon La Chair requests by petition to know, whether the street lying beside his lot to the lot of Carel Van Bruggen and purchased from him, shall be given for a lot, or remain for a street; and requests a categorical answer. Apostilled:—The street remains provisionally in effect for the use of the City until further orders.

Jacob Kip appears in Court, giving an account of his service in the receipt of the excise on cattle beer and wine, and states, that he paid on the 17th August 1656, 12 gl. to Joghim Pietersen's sheet piling; declares further, that he received from the City's revenue, which he then received, his two years salary. The Burgomasters allow said Kip 25 gl. on his lot; so as to pay the Treasurer 200 gl. in place of 225 gl.

Aucke Bruynsen and Dirck Volckersen appear in Court and said Aucke requests, that his place may be set off. The Magistrates give for answer, that the surveyor shall be ordered to measure off what belongs to parties and to satisfy them.

Whereas the Burgomasters received an apostille on 26th March 1658 to their petition, to order and qualify persons to regulate the estate of Joghim Pietersen Cuijter dec^d and Pieter Anthony dec^d, as they shall consider best, they therefore, hereby order and qualify Nicolaas Verlett and Jeronimus Ebbingh for the regulation of the estate of Joghim Pietersen aforesaid, and Mattheus de Vos and Pieter Rudolfus for Pieter Anthony's.

Thursday, 11. April 1658. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Paulus Leenderzen vander Grift, Olof Stevensen Cortlant.

Burgomasters resolve to order and authorize the Treasurer according to placard of Director General and Council to collect and take up from each house one beaver or eight guilders in seawant according to the rating of the Treasury, and if there be any, who are unable to pay it, to give a list of them to the Burgomasters, and the Treasurer has to collect it from the occupants of the houses; but the tenant shall deduct the half from the landlord.

Respecting the further granting of lots, it is resolved to proceed no further before a map thereof be made: The General is therefore to be

requested to order the surveyor to draw as soon as possible a map of the lots within this City.

The Treasurer is ordered to send the Court Messenger around, to notify the tapsters, that they shall have to take out a licence and to bring in their old or last license; whereunto the Treasurer has to conform.

The Schout is authorised, to tell every one having vacant unfenced lots to fence the same within six weeks, or until further order.

The Schout was further ordered, to notify all who lie along the North River to level their bank and lay it off according to the Generals plan.

The apostille to Cryn Jacobs and Albert Cornelissen's petitions was postponed till May.

On Dirck Crynen's petition is apostilled:—The petitioner is referred to the Director General and Council.

Frerick Aarsen and Christiaan Barenzen appear in Court: Freryck Aarsen states, that he entered into a contract with Cristaen Barenzen to build a house, and he well knows he must be in it, though it be not finished. Cristaen answers, that he should tell him what time he required it done, and he should fulfil his contract.

Christiaan who married the Noorman's daughter requests a lot, and is put off until May.

In the matter in question between Pieter Wolferszen van Couwenhoven and Dirck van Schelluyne and Govert Loockermans regarding the 40 skepels of pease and carried to a revision by said Pieter Wolferszen, Jacob Wolfertsen van Couwenhoven is asked in Court, if his brother were present when the forty skepels pease were delivered, and if he had authority from his brother to receive them? Answers Cannot tell though he should die, and declares he had entered it on a blotter. Burgomasters ask to see the blotter, which he refuses, but offers a copy thereof, and says he kept the book of what was done in the Company, and entered it in his blotter, but marked down no date; exhibits in Court the copy. Declares he rendered his brother a/c thereof. Can form no opinion thereof, but entered and booked as much, as he received for his brother, when he settled with him. Pieter Wolfertsen van Couwenhoven is asked, if he has finally settled? And says he did not see the pease, and declares

before God and the truth, that he knew nothing of the pease, until Schelluyne had billed him for them. Schelluyne is ordered to bring to the Secretary's Office J. van Couwenhoven's original account: Meanwhile the cause is postponed until another occasion.

Whereas the Burgomaster Oloff Stevensen Cortlandt has become bail as principal for the judgment of the Court in the case in question between Jan Lauwerens and M^r Sley, the cause is therefore postponed until the arrival of Mr. Sley or until four or five weeks time.

Thursday, 18th April 1658. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Paulus Leendersen Vander Grift, Olof Stevensen Cortlant.

Hendrick Jansen van der Vin presents a petition to the Court, wherein he requests the piece of a lot lying between him and the house and lot of Sibout Clasen, to use it as his own in his proposed building. Whereupon is apostilled:—Petitioner's request is granted with the knowledge of the General, on paying the heirs ninety dollars therefor, according to the valuation of two arbitrators, to wit, Sibout Clasen and Adolf Pietersen, appointed thereunto by the Burgomasters, as appears by Acte remaining with the Secretary.

On the petitions of divers Burghers of this City, requesting that the time be postponed for the pulling down the straw-roofs, is apostilled:—Petitioners are granted two months time by the Director General and Council, on condition of clearing all away in that time, and to be on their guard against damage meanwhile.

Pieter Van Breen appears in Court saying, he has a dispute with Jacqueny about an a/c. for board amounting to four beavers; exhibiting the same to the Court. Aaltje Albers appears in Court, declares that Pieter van Breen paid for Jacqueny. Jacqueny says, he paid Pieter van Breen. Pieter van Breen is asked, if he can prove that Jacqueny has not paid? Answers, if he can shew a receipt, that he has paid, he is content. M^r Jacob Huges appears in Court as interpreter for Jacqueny. Pieter van Breen allows Jacqueny to declare on Oath, that he has paid him, and offers so to do. M^r Jacob and Jacqueny appear in Court and M^r Jacob is told to inform Jacqueny, what an oath is, and that it is a serious thing to take an oath. Jacqueny answers through M^r Jacob, that he is well aware what an oath is, and were it not true, he should not take it for the

whole world. Pieter van Breen appears in Court and is informed, that Jacqueny will confirm on oath, he has satisfied him. Pieter van Breen offers to affirm on oath, that he has not seen a hair of the payment, but is content if he will declare on oath, that he has paid him. Burgomasters grant Jacqueny eight days delay to consider of it.

Christiaen Barens and Frerick Aarensen appear in Court. Cristiaen Barens states he cannot get any money from Frerick Aarensen. Frerick Aarensen answers, he will not pay any money before the work is done. Cristiaen Barens replies, that he let out the work to Jacob Leunissen, exhibiting for this purpose an acknowledgment of Jacob Leunissen, that he accepted the job; offering that Frerick Aarensen should retain sufficient to satisfy Jacob Leunissen. Frerick Aarensen is asked, if he be content with Jacob Leunissen? Answers, Yes, and more than with Cristiaen, but fears to get into difficulty with him Jacob Leunissen, as he says Cristiaen did not agree with him for some things. Whereupon Cristiaen Barensen says, he has agreed with Jacob Leunissen to fulfil the contract. Parties being heard Frerick Aarensen is ordered to pay Cristiaen Barensen the sum of One hundred guilders, and to retain the remainder of the money as security until the work is finished.

Friday, 26th April 1658; In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Nicasius de Sille, Paulus Leendertsen Van der Grift, Olof Stevensen Cortlant.

Whereas Burgomasters represent, that Cristiaen Barensen has complained to them, that he cannot get any money from Frerick Aarsen, they resolve to send him the following order:—Schout and Burgomasters order Frerick Aarsen, to pay Christiaen Barens the sum of one hundred guilders according to judgment dated the 18th of this current month pronounced by Burgomasters and that in the time of 24 hours on pain of execution.

Isaack de Foreest and Jieronimus Ebbingh request to be discharged from the superintendence of the Brewers' Street as they are going to Fort Orange. Whereupon Burgomasters appoint in their stead Isaack Kip and Mattheus de Vos.

The Court Messenger, Claas van Elslant is asked, what answer he received on speaking to the neighbours in the Brewers Street for payment

of their tax laid for the benefit of the street? Answers, that some have the money ready; others will pay on the earliest opportunity.

Isaack Mens and Aaltje Albers appear in Court respecting a debt on an obligation, which Isaack Mens claims from Aaltje Albert for the sum of fl. 225. and the obligation remains with Jacob Hay. Aaltje Albers answers, she has no knowledge of her husbands affairs, and that he may speak to her husband; declares she knows something of it, but does not know, what her husband has against it. Isaack Mens replies, she promised to pay. The Court Messenger Claas van Elslant is ordered to fetch the obligation from Jacob Hay. Returning says there is no one at home. Burgomasters order Altje Albers to give bail for the payment of the sum within one month or six weeks. Answers, she knows not, who will be bail for her. Isaack Mens is asked if he is satisfied with bail? Answers, is satisfied with what the Magistrates shall do therein. Aaltje Albers promises to pay and to give security to satisfy the aforesaid sum within six weeks, or on the first arrival of the galiot.

Hendrick Jansen Van der Vin requests, that the piece of the lot between his house and lot and the house and lot of Sibout Clasen, which he bought from the Burgomasters, may be endorsed on the back of the deed; Whereupon it is ordered, that the building be proceeded with and the piece of the lot on the back of the deed shall be signed as soon as the heirs shall come.

Jacob Eldersen appears in Court and says, he is arrested by the Secretary Joannes Nevius. Whereupon the Secretary is asked, what is his demand? Answers payment for writing. Jacob Eldersen says he settled with the Schout; to which the Magistrates answer, he has no disposition of the costs, nor was there any thing said of them; only of the judgment. Jacob Eldersen is therefore ordered to settle with the Secretary, which he promises.

Sibout Clasen requests by petition a helping hand, as he was urged by the Schout to lay off his lot, which he bought from Cornelis Meleyn and built on, and is not yet conveyed to him, nor has the lot been Surveyed to him, and declares he bought 24 feet rear and front, but no writing is made of it; requesting conveyance thereof. Whereupon is apostilled:—Petitioner is ordered to set off his lot; also Cornelis Melein's lot lying behind Hendrick Jansen van der Vin's lot; and he may bring

in a/c against Cornelis Melÿn the expenses, which he incurs for him. Respecting the deed, the petitioner must wait for it, until Cornelis Meleyn or some of his come here, who shall then be ordered duly to convey the lot.

Thursday, 2^d May, 1658. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Paulus Leendersen van der Grift, Olof Stevensen Cortlant.

Albert Jansen Roy, Joannes van der Meulen, Claas Gangelof Visscher have taken in Court the proper Burgherl Oath.

Burgomasters resolved to send an order to the under mentioned persons, to pay the Treasurer for the following:—

Hans Dreper for stone of Cornelia Melein's chimney the
sum of fl. 40. deducting for 28 lbs of nails..... fl.

Pieter Andreesen for assessment of his lot..... fl. 60.—

Pieter the Noorman for assessm^t of his lot..... 50.—

Teuntje [Straatmans] for assessment of her lot..... 25.—

Jan Janzen van Langeu Dyck for assessm^t of his lot.... 40.—

Andrees Andresen for assessment of his lot..... 50.—

Jannetj Bones for assessment of her lot..... 50.—

Douwe Clasen appears in Court taking the proper Burghers Oath.

The Court Messengers were ordered to go around and to demand a beaver from each house according to Ordinance.

Burgomasters resolve, to renew the Placard regarding the disposal of filth, and further to add thereto, the removal of the privies on the street having their outlet level with the ground, and that within eight days under a penalty of fl. 6. for the first time; double the sum for the second time. Further, to propose to the Court of Burgomasters and Schepens at the next Court day, that no Burgher shall keep any hogs within this City.

Tuesday, 7th May, 1658. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Olof Stevensen Cortlant, Paulus Leendersen van der Grift.

Hendrick Janzen vander Vin and Abraham Staats appear in Court. The President states for what purpose the Burgomasters have summoned them, to wit:—About two @ three days ago one Hermen Jacobs Bamboes was killed by the Indians and buried here, and that his wife laid the key on the coffin.* It became therefore necessary to elect some persons to

* I.e: gave up the Estate to the Creditors.

take charge of the estate, which has been left and to regulate it, and they are about to chuse them with the request to do their best therein and arrange the said estate and with the Secretary of the Burgomasters to inventory the same and to administer it for the advantage of the creditors. Abraham Staas requests to be excused, as he is frequently from home. Whereupon he is allowed to adjoin another with him, and Burgomasters present the helping hand to Hendrick J. van der Vin.

Here follows the Commission:—

Hermen Jacobsen Bamboes has been lately shot dead murderously by the Indians and whereas the Estate left by him has been kicked away by his wife with the foot, who has laid the key on the coffin; therefore it is necessary to authorize and qualify some persons to regulate the same in order, that the interested, or the creditors may obtain their own: Wherefore Burgomasters of the City of Amsterdam in New Netherland regarding the necessity thereof hereby qualify and authorize the person of Abraham Staas to take possession with Hend'k Jansen van der Vin of the estate and inventory the same; and whereas he Abraham Staats excuses himself by reason that he is and must be frequently from home; he is therefore allowed to adjoin some to him, whom he shall think proper to act with him, in his presence as well as in his absence, in the administration of the estate, and to communicate the condition thereof to the Burgomasters. Thus done and enacted at Amsterdam in N. Netherland the 7th May 1658.

Thursday 9th May, 1658. In the City Hall.

Present the Heeren Olof Stevensen Cortlandt, Paulus Leendersen Van der Grift.

Simon Hermsen Cort and Adam Bremen appear in Court taking the proper Burgher Oath.

Thursday, 13th June 1658. In the City Hall.

Present the Heeren Olof Stevensen Cortlant, Paulus Leendersen van der Grift.

The Secretary is ordered to give directions, that Hendrick the smith break down within eight days the small wooden building which stands between his house and Hendrick the bakers house.

Further to give orders, that Frans Claesen shall break down the little house, standing by the gate, which Burgomasters sold Isaack de Foreest and which is occupied by him.

Schepen Isaack de Foreest appears in Court and requests, that he may sell the goods of his late servant maid, which remain in pawn ; on account of money he claims from her. Whereupon it is ordered, that the petitioner shall summon her or her husband and in default of payment proceed to sale.

Schepen Isaack de Foreest and Jieronimus Ebbingh were again appointed to their previous office of Overseers of the paving of the Brewers' Street.

The Treasurer was ordered to proceed with the bucket money.

The secretary is ordered to write to old Vos to send down the Obligation of the planks, which he formerly delivered to the City by Adam Rolantsen :

To Notify the surveyor to make out a Map of this place :

To give an order to the Officer, to warn every one to settle their vacant lots as an ornament to the place :

To direct the Court Messenger to go around and notify every one, who has received lots from the City, or enquire, whether it is his intention to build or not, and to go to the Burgomaster Paulus Leendersen van de grift for the plan.

Thursday, 11th July, 1658 : In the City Hall.

Present the Heeren Olof Stevensen Cortlandt, Paulus Leendertsen van der Grift.

Burgomasters resolved to instruct Jacques Corteljou not to measure any lots except by foot wood-measure (*hout voet*) ; further to request the Director General, that a map (*PlatteKaart*) be drawn of the lots measured within the City.

The Treasurer is ordered to summon Pieter Wolfersen van Couwenhoven once again to pay for the lot, which he bought from the City, and if he decline to cite him before Burgomasters.

Burgomasters resolved to propose to the Board of Burgomasters and Schepens the regulation of the Seawant (*Wampum*) ; also to fix the hours, when the labouring classes in general shall go to work and come

from work and go to their meals ; further to set off the City with a wall.

Burgomasters resolved to communicate with the General relative to having a public Well made in the *Heere Straat* ;

To draft a placard to have all the Ells, Weights, Cans and Corn Measures Stamped.

To obtain from the curators of the estate of Joghim Pietersen Kuyter three Copies of the inventories ; one of the general inventory, one of Juff^r Leentje's goods and one of the general debts.

Thursday 18th July, 1658 : In the City Hall.

Present the Heeren Olof Stevenzen Cortlandt, Paulus Leendersen van der Grift.

The under mentioned persons appear in Court requesting the small Burgher-Right :—

Jacques Cousseau	Tielman van Vleeck
Anthony More	Barent Cruytdorp
Anthony DeMil	Cornelis Willemsen, Carpenter
Jan Gouwen bergh	Adriaen van Laer
Jan Gerrisen Buitenhuis	Pieter Van Hale

Hendrick Van de Wal,

who have taken the proper Burgher Oath.

Willem Doeckes requests the small Burgher-Right and says, he came in the Dove (*de Duyff*) and was here one year and six weeks before the establishment of the privilege.

Allard Anthony demands from Isaack de Foreest fl. 104. for a shed purchased from the City. Isaack de Foreest answers, that he paid Frans : Clasen fl. 50. and again fl. 8 : 10 to Juff^r Wessels and request 12 days delay.

Willem Doeckes and Cornelis Willemsen were asked, why they allow the work to stop ? Answer, that the Diggers are the Cause.

Jan Reyersen appears in Court, promises 25^{lbs} of lead. The Treasurer is ordered to restore it to the Skipper Roy.

Dirck Van schelluyne appears in Court and requests that A. Keiser may remain secured until he shall have paid the judgment.

Thursday, 25th July, 1658: In the City Hall.

Present the Heeren Olof Stevensen Cortlandt, Paulus Leendersen van der Grift.

Jan Snedingh appears in Court stating, that his goods in Jacob Van Corlaar's house are attached by him, Jacob van Corlaar, for rent, which he claims from him, and declares, he hired the house by the Week and occupied it a quarter of a year; offering to pay a quarter, requesting the goods to be discharged from the attachment; And whereas Jacob van Corlaar has not appeared in Court to prosecute the arrest, Burgomasters decree the attachment to be void on condition, that he pay Corlaar one quarter's rent, according to offer.

The Secretary, Joannes Nevius, exhibits in Court a donation of a lot to Jan Vigne from Ariaantje Ceueliers, his dec^d Mother, presented by order of the guardians; asking if by virtue thereof he might execute a deed for a certain lot sold by said Jan Vigne from the lot aforesaid to Gerrit Jansen Boos.* Whereupon he was answered, that Jan Vigne may make a conveyance, whenever the guardians have copied on the back of the ground brief the whole lot given him.

Thursday, first of August, 1658. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Paulus Leendersen vander Grift, Olof Stevensen Cortlandt.

Coenraat ten Eyck, Reinout Reinoutsen, Ariaan van Laar, Pieter van Haalen, shoemakers, being sent for appear in Court of Burgomasters; to whom the President stated, that it is intended to have a considerable number of Fire Buckets made, shewing them, with that view, two made in this country, to give their opinion thereon and the lowest price they Will make them for: Whereupon Coenraat ten Eyck is heard and stated his disinclination, and Pieter Van Haalen declares, that there are no materials to be had. Burgomasters agreed with Reinout Reinoutsen and Ariaan Van Laar on the following conditions:—

Reinout Reinoutzen undertakes to make the aforesaid buckets and to do everything, that shall be necessary to them except cordage, for each of which he shall receive, six guilders ten stivers, half zewant half beavers, it

* The lot, sold by Vigne to Roos was conveyed to the latter Novbr. 25, 1658. It was on the East side of Broadway, North of Wall Str., having 2 rods 3 feet front and rear and a depth of 11 rods 6 feet. It originally formed part of the Damen estate.—Val. Man, 1861, 601. B. F.

being well understood, that the fourth part of the beavers shall be half beavers and three fourths whole beavers, and on the aforesaid conditions a contract is entered into with him for one hundred buckets, which he promises to manufacture between this and fourteen days after All Saints.

On which aforesaid conditions Ariaen Van Laer contracted for and undertook fifty buckets.

Thursday, 8th August 1658. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Paulus Leendersen van der Grift, Olof Stevensen Cortlandt.

To give an Order to the Treasurer to collect and receive from Hendrick Willemsen, baker, the balance of the money due for the strip of a lot between his house and lot and the house and lot of Hendrick the Smith, which he purchased from Burgomasters; and the breadth and length of the lot and strip measured by the surveyor Jacques Corteljou, shall then be endorsed thereupon, further releasing him from all future claims.

To propose to the Director General the paving of the *Winckel** (Market) Street, and to make one of the Burghers Overseer of the Ward (*Buirtmeester*) on behalf of the Company.

The Court Messenger is ordered to go again around and to receive himself the bucket money.

Timotheus de Gabry is ordered to pay the Treasurer fl. 50. in beavers for his great Burgher Right.

Jeronimus Ebbingh appears in Court stating, that he intends going to Fort Orange; requesting therefore to be discharged from the Overseership of the Ward. Whereupon he is answered—Whereas every one has to pursue his own business, he therefore cannot be detained from his journey and the prosecution of his affairs; He is therefore ordered, to hand over to Burgomaster Olof Stevensen the money in his possession and the a/c remaining with him and to suspend the paving until the Schepen Isaack de Forest's arrival. Meanwhile to appoint another in his place.

Abraham Staats and Hendrick Jansen van der Vin, curators of the bankrupt estate of Hermen Jacobsen Bamboes, killed by the Indians, appear in Court; and M^r Abraham proposes whereas he is and must be fre-

* This street ran through the center of the block between the present Stone and Bridge Streets, East of and parallel with Whitehall. It is now closed.—B. F.

quently from home and cannot undertake the service of the curatorship, that he be discharged from the same and offers if he can do any service, from which he is not prevented, to do it.

Burgomasters resolve to write a letter to the Esopus to Andries van der Sluys, that he shall send down an inventory of the goods left by Bamboes aforesaid, and should there be any one, who has claims on the estate or is indebted to it, to give in the same by the first opportunity.

The curators aforesaid state that one Jan Cloet has a parcel of black clothes lying in Hermen Jacobsen Bamboes chest, attached at Fort Orange ; which he had given Bamboes aforesaid to sell for corn ; requesting that he might have the same back ; And whereas there is clear proof thereof, the same is granted, that the pack aforesaid be returned to him.

A^o 1658 : this 9th Aug^r in Amsterdam in N. Netherland.

Worthy good Friend, Andrees van der Sluys, Health !

Whereas some property remains in the Esopus belonging to Heermen Bamboes dec^d and the Burgomast^rs of this City have appointed curators over the same, this serves to request of you in a friendly manner, to send down the aforesaid goods here with an inventory thereof annexed for the benefit of the creditors : and further to notify everyone by public notice, which you are to affix on the most convenient place, if any have claims against the estate aforesaid or are indebted thereunto, to make the same known forthwith, returning the same to M^r Abraham Staats at Fort Orange or here to M^r Hendrick Jansen van der Vin. Which awaiting we remain your friends

The Burgomasters.

By order of the same

Joannes Nevius, Sec^r

The curators of the estate left by Hermen Jacobsen Bamboes hereby give every one notice, that if there be any, who have claims against the abovementioned estate or are indebted to the same, they shall make it known immediately to Andrees van de Sluys.

To the Right Hon^{ble} Direct^r General and Council of N : Netherland.

R^r Hon^{ble}

The Burgomasters of the City of Amsterdam in N. Netherland re-monstrate with all respect, that they repeatedly requested the surveyor to make a map (*Platte Kaart*) of this City, but they cannot get it from him ;

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and whereas they, the petitioners, gladly saw, that all might be brought into due effect, and they cannot obtain the abovesaid from the surveyor, they therefore request your Honours to order the abovementioned surveyor to make out a map of this City as soon as possible. We remain your Honours' Subjects

The Burgomasters of the aforesaid City.

By order of the same, Joannes Nevius, Secret?
In Amsterdam in New Netherland the 9th August, 1658.

Thursday, 15th August 1658. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Paulus Leendersen vander Grift, Olof Stevensen Cortlandt.

Burgomasters resolve to renew next Monday being the 19th August, the Placard regarding the filth and to publish the placards about the privies and the hogs. Further, to communicate to the General the grading of the *Winckel* (Market) Street and Bridge lane,* (*Brugh Steegh*.)

Friday 23^d August, 1658. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Paulus Leendertsen van der Grift, Olof Stevensen Cortlandt.

Burgomasters resolve to postpone to next Tuesday at Eleven O'Clock precisely, the publication of the renewal of the Placard about the filth, the regulating the privies and the ringing of the hogs, and the secretary was ordered to put them in mind of it.

Friday, 30th Augst 1658. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Paulus Leendersen van der Grift, Olof Stevenzen Cortlandt.

Burgomasters order the Court,¹ Messenger to go to the widow of Frans Clasen dec^d and notify her to remove the house out of the road or they shall have it done.

The Burgomasters of the City Amsterdam in N. Netherland hereby order the Treasurer, to send the Court Messenger around without delay and to collect and take up from each house one beaver for bucket money and to hold the same in the treasury, and to duly mark those unwilling in the return and to communicate the same to the Burgomasters in writing, so that their Worships may make provision therefore. Done primo October 1658. In Amsterdam in N. Netherland.

By Order of the Burgomasters of the City aforesaid

Joannes Nevius, Secy.

* Bridge Lane, now closed, ran from Bridge Str. to the shore at Pearl Str.—B. F.

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Tuesday afternoon 15th Octob^r 1658 in the City Hall. Present the Heeren Paulus Leendertsen Vander Grift, Olof Stevensen Van Cortlant.

Herry Breser appears in Court, who is told to declare, what he knows of the outstanding debts of Jan Hutsitson dec^d? He delivered to the Court an a/c and obligation against Isaacq Allerton Senior for the sum of fl. 426.; declaring further, that he knows nothing more : The above transferred to the Orphan Book.

Saturday the 12th Octob^r 1658. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Paulus Leendersen Van der Grift, Olof Stevensen Cortlandt.

The following article is enacted in Court :—

Articles Made and Ordained by my lords the Burgomasters of the City of Amsterdam in N: Netherland.

[The Articles here mentioned are to be found on page 196, the Entries *in the Original* having been somehow inverted.]

Thursday 4th Octob^r 1658. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Burgomasters Paulus Leendertsen van der Grift, Olof Stevensen Cortlandt.

Burgomasters resolved to write a letter to the Lords Majors under cover of Cornelis Steenwyck, to whom its contents shall be communicated, wherein it is requested that the sales of all real estate may be referred to the City.

It is further resolved, to establish a watch here ; for this purpose the following persons appeared offering themselves for this service : Pieter Jansen, Hendrick van Bommel, Jan Cornelisen van Vlensburgh, Jan Pietersen, Gerrit Pietersen, Jan Jansen van Langestraat, Hendrick Ruyter, Jacques Pryn, Tomas Verdon.

Burgomasters have engaged the above eight Persons for 24 stiv^r every night they watch, it being well understood four and four shall watch each night ; and they are promised one or two beavers for candles and two to three hundred pieces of fire wood.

Philip Schoof appears in Court exhibiting certain a/c between him and Metje Wessels, requesting that the Court may be pleased to examine the same and that the Marshal be ordered to collect it. Burgomasters order them to settle the differences between them, and in default thereof the case was referred to Joannes Pietersen van Brugh and Pieter Buys in presence of the Marshal.

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Saturday 12th Octob^r 1658 : In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Paulus Leendersen vander Grift, Olof Stevensen Cortlandt.

Tomas Hal and Isaacq Grevera in quality as curators of the estate left by Jan Hutsitson dec^d appearing in Court relate, that Herry Breser is unwilling to bring for security into the City Hall the goods left by the aforesaid Jan Hutsitson, according to order. Tomas Hall demands an attachment against the person and goods of Jeems Reel, and an order that he may not remove his goods on board.

Articles made and Ordained by the Burgomasters of the City of Amsterdam in N: Netherland respecting the duties of the Rattle Watch ; the 12th Octob^r 1658.

First, That all the watchmen shall be obliged to come on the watch at the usual hour, towit, before bell ring, on pain of forfeiting six stivers.

Item, Whoever comes not in person on the watch or being occupied on reasonable business does not put any other in his place shall forfeit each time two guilders for the benefit of the general watch.

Item, Whenever any one comes drunk on the watch or commits any opposition, insolence or impurity within the Square of the City Hall or in going the rounds, he shall forfeit each time one guilder.

Item. Each one shall be bound to pay due attention to his watch in going around, and whenever any one shall be found asleep on the street he shall forfeit each time ten stivers.

Item. Should it happen by sleep, negligence or the failure of any one on the watch, that any arms be taken or stolen, such negligent person or sleeper shall be bound to pay for the said arms according to the Burgomasters valuation, and in addition for the first time, one guilder, for the second time two guilders and for the third time at the discretion of the Burgomasters.

Item. If any one lies still when people call *Val Val*, or be otherwise disobedient, he shall forfeit twenty stivers.

Item. Who ever presumes to swear or to blaspheme the name of God shall be fined ten stivers.

Item. Whenever any one presumes to desire to fight on the watch or to threaten any one of the watch to come with him to fight, shall forfeit two guilders beyond the officer's penalty.

Item. Whoever threatens another to beat him in the morning, when the watch is dismissed he shall forfeit two guilders.

Item. If any one fights in fact with another on the watch or even in the morning coming from the watch, he shall forfeit six guilders, saving the right of the Officer, and shall moreover be arbitrarily corrected by the Burgomasters according to the circumstances of the case.

Item. Should any one be unwilling to go around or in any way lose a turn, he shall forfeit one guilder.

Item. If any one presumes to go away from the watch for any cause, whatsoever it be, without the Express consent of the others, he shall forfeit two guilders for each time.

Item. No person shall be received into the aforesaid Rattle watch before and until he shall have taken the oath from one of the Burgomasters.

Item. Whatever any of the watch shall get from any of the prisoners, whether lock-up money, present or other fee, which those of the watch shall receive by consent of the Burgomasters, it shall be brought into the hands of the Captain for the benefit of the fellow watchmen and shall be there preserved until it be divided around.

Item. The aforesaid presents and fees shall be brought in by each of the watchmen under the bond of the oath which they shall have taken to the city.

Item. All the fines, which accrue, and the profits, which in any wise shall be realized, by insolence, fault, neglect or otherwise shall be divided four times a year among the members of the watch, when they according to old custom shall each quarter of the year receive their watch money from the City, without their holding any drinking meeting thereupon or keeping any club.

Finally and lastly. They shall be bound on going the rounds to call out how late it is, at all the corners of the streets, from nine O'Clock in the evening until the *reveillé* beat in the morning ; for which they shall receive each man eighteen guilders per month in common pay ; and the Captain is ordered to pay strict attention hereunto that all be regularly obeyed according to the penalty thereunto annexed. Thus done in the Court of the Burgomasters of the City of Amsterdam in N : Netherland, dated as above. Follows the oath.

We promise and swear in the presence of the Most High, that we will

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fully observe the articles read to us, and demean ourselves as faithful watchmen are bound to do, So Truly Help us God Almighty !

[Here ought to follow the Entry of the 15th Octob^r which, according to the *Original*, is on a preceding page.]

Friday, 15th Nov^r 1658. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Olof Stevensen Cortlant, Paulus Leendersen van der Grift.

On Joannes Nevius, the Secretary's, petition, wherein he requests, that he may plant the garden behind the City Hall, is apostilled :—Petitioner may plant the garden together with the Court Messenger.

It is further resolved, on the petition of Orphan Master Pieter Wolfertsen van Couwenhoven, to nominate the following four persons, to propose them to the Hon^{ble} Director General and supreme Council to elect two therefrom for the office of Orphan Masters with the abovenamed old Orphan Master Pieter Wolfertsen, because one is sometimes from home and also there is considerable business at this conjuncture.

Burgomasters resolved, that the Provost shall from now henceforth, according to and by virtue of the following commission, collect and receive every month from each housekeeper for the support of the Rattle Watch, fifteen stivers, except those whose husbands are from home, widows, preachers, also such as are in somebody's service and according to the list thereof, given him.

Luda de Meyer appears in Court, requesting that two may be appointed to inspect the ground in dispute. Burgomasters order her to summon again.

Mighiel Paulusen appears in court requesting an end of the case respecting the ground in question with Luda de Meyer.*

COMMISSION.

Lodowyck Pos, Captain of the Rattle Watch, is hereby authorized and qualified by the Burgomasters of this City of Amsterdam in N : Netherland to collect and receive every month precise fifteen stivers from every one according to the list thereof given him, for the support of the Rattle

* Lidia De Meyer was dau. of Hendrick V. Dyck and wife of Niclaes De Meyer. The ground in dispute was on the north side of Stone Street, opposite Coenties alley, and belonged originally to Jacob van Couwenhoven, who sold of the property, one part to De Meyer and another part to Paulusen, and these now, it is supposed, disagreed about the measurement of their respective lots.—O'C.

Watch. Thus done and Enacted in Amsterdam in N : Netherland at the Court of Burgomasters in the City Hall the 16th Novemb^r 1658.

By Order of the Hon^{ble} Burgomasters of the aforesaid City.

Joannes Nevius, Secty.

Honorable Valiant !

Whereas Wilhelmus Beeckman chosen by Your Honors as Orphan Master with Schepen Pieter Wolfertsen van Couwenhoven of this City, has departed in the service of the Hon^{ble} West India Company to the South River and the place of Orphan Master is Vacant, Burgomasters of this City of Amsterdam in New Netherland, to whom Your Honors have been pleased to give the Nomination of the succeeding Orphan Masters, deeming it highly necessary that the place should not only be filled, but that two more be elected in addition to the old Orphan Master, as God the Lord has been pleased this year to afflict this Province with hot fevers, whereof many died ; therefore much is to be done in the regulating of estates, especially as it often happens, that one of the Orphan Masters is absent and the remaining alone either can not, or can only badly attend to the business. They have therefore proposed to Your Honors, by Nomination the following four persons to wit :—

Allard Anthony,

Merten Cregier,

Joannes Pietersen Verbruggen, Hend^k Jansen vander Vin.

Requesting Your Hon^r to elect from them two being the most reasonable, the most intelligent and fittest for the service of the Burghers and inhabitants of this jurisdiction. Done Amsterdam in N : Netherland the 16th Novemb^r 1658. at the Court of Burgomasters of the City aforesaid

By order of the

Burgomasters of the City aforesaid

Joannes Nevius, Sec^r

Marten Cregier and Joannes P^r Verbruggen are elected and confirmed as Orphan Masters of this City from those nominated, together with the present Orphan Master Pieter Wolfersen. Done fort Amsterdam in N. Netherland the 21 J^{br} 1658. By order of the Hon. Lord Direct^r General and Council of N : Netherland ; C. V. Ruyven, Secret^r

Friday, 22^d Novemb^r 1658. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Nicasius de Sille, Olof Stevensen Cortlandt, Paulus Leendersen Vander Grift.

Appear in Court Cornelis de Bruyn, factor of the Ship the *Brown Fish*, promising to deliver 25^{lbs} of powder to the City for leave to sell his goods :

Crein Jacobzen, Cristiaan Pieter, Ariaan Huybersen, Dirck Wyghers late in the Company's service took the Burgher Oath ; Also, Pieter Jansen Niengs, Bartel Manneken, Jan Gillis, Paulus Blienburgh, Gerrit Meyer, Jan Dousy, Cornelis Van Hoorn, Pauwel Clasen, Douwe Hermsen, Gerrit Roelofsen, Hubert de Bruyn, Jan Jansen Ruyn, Eedert Juriaansen, Bastiaen Clasen, Gerrit Decker, François de Bruyn, Jan Pietersen, Hermen Hendrickzen van Bergen in Norway, Symon Clasen Turck, François Rombout, all of whom have taken the Burgher oath, and signed an obligation to pay the Treasurer 20 gl. in beavers, within Eight days for their small Burgher Right.

INSTRUCTION FOR THE BURGHER PROVOST, DOOR KEEPER OF THE COUNCIL OF WAR, CAPTⁿ OF THE RATTLE-WATCH AND RECEIVER OF THE WATCH MONEY.

First, The Burgher Provost Shall well observe, when the Companies are under arms, who is absent and who behaves badly in the ranks also in Marching, according to the order granted therein and yet to be granted, and duly to mark down, who commits a fault, to make the same Known to the Captain of the Company, who they are and in what the fault consists.

Second, To inform the Court Martial and according to order therefor summon those, who are guilty of any faults.

Third, To attend to the Rattle-Watch that regularly and every hour precisely the rounds be made and the hour Called from nine O'Clock in the evening to the morning at Reveillée, according to the instruction given them.

Fourth, Truly to state, who are in fault and to inform on them to the Burgomasters, whereof the Captain shall receive one fourth and also of all profits from fines. He shall also go around every month to collect the money from each house according to order thereof granted, and still to be granted and place the received monies in the hands of the secretary of Burgomasters and Schepens, who shall distribute the same ; to spare no one, and if there are any not on the list, to give in the same in writing to the Burgomasters ; to speak ill to no Burgher and who so ever threatens

him to complain of him to the Burgomasters, who shall order the case as circumstances of the matter direct.

Further, to observe well, that those of the Watch impose not on any Burgher in going around or on the Watch ; also that they steal not any firewood nor any other timber nor any thing else. Thus done and Enacted in Amsterdam in N: Netherland in the Court of Burgomasters the 22^d Novemb^r 1658.

By order of the Burgomasters of the City aforesaid

Joannes Nevius, Secrty.

Friday, 29th Novemb^r 1658. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Nicasuis de Sille, Olof Stevenzen Cortlandt, Paulus Leenderzen van der Grift.

Claas van Elslandt and Pieter Schabanck, the Court Messengers, are asked, how it fares with the bucket Money ? Declare, that about twenty pieces of beaver are received on condition, that they are good and that the Treasurer accepts them ; and that he has accepted them, that all were good merchantable beavers : And Claas van Elslandt declares he afterwards delivered to the Treasurer two half beavers and some seawant.

François Rombout appears in Court taking the proper Burgher Oath, passing an obligation to pay twenty guilders in Zewant to the Treasurer for the Burgher Right.

The Court Messenger P. Schabanck is again ordered to go around anew according to the following Commission.

The Court Messenger is hereby ordered anew to go around again, to collect and receive from every one, who has not paid bucket Money, Burgher Money and lot Money, and in case of refusal or delay to take a categorical answer, Yes or No, from them and to give information thereof.

Wernaar Wessels and Salomon La Chair appear in Court and Solomon La Chair states, that Wernaar Wessels has brewed twice without taking out a permit. Wernaar Wessels answers, that he brewed but once, denying that he delivered out the brewed beer without a permit. Salomon La Chair replies, that Wernaar Wessels has brewed and sent beer out once without permit. Salomon La Chair is ordered to prove on next Tuesday, that Wernaar Wessels has brewed and delivered out the beer without permit.

The Secretary, Joannes Nevius, is ordered to receive the money

which the captain L: Pos collects from each house for the support of the Rattle Watch, and to divide it at the appointed time to the Rattle Watch, deducting provisionally one stiver from each guilder and to make an entry thereof.

It is further ordered, to draw up an instruction for the Inspector of Weights and Measures, to receive from each ell 8 stivers, for stamping cans for each 3 stiv: and in addition for boring and guaging 2 stiv: for each lb. to 20, one stiv: from 20 to 50, four stiv: over 50, six stiv:

On Andrees de Haas' petition is apostilled :—Petitioner is granted the stamping of cans, ells, weights according to instruction granted or to be granted.

Friday, the 13th Decemb^r 1658. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Olof Stevensen Cortlandt, Paulus Leendersen van der Grift.

Pieter van Halen and Hend^t Janzen Smitt appear in Court respecting the differences about the house of Hend^t Jansen, occupied by pieter Van Halen, and not inhabitable and through the mediation of Burgomasters they have agreed for fl. 60. in zewant, which Pieter van Halen shall pay to Hendrick Jansen for the time, which he resided in the house.

Herman Barenson appears in Court offering to serve as Watchman, and being accepted as such took the Oath of fidelity according to the Articles of the Ordinance read to him.

Gabriel Corbegier appears also in Court and is likewise accepted as Watchman having taken the Oath of fidelity on the Articles of the Ordinance read to him.

Lodowyck Pos appearing in Court is again ordered, to enter on the roll those, who are not on it for the support of the Rattle Watch and to give in their names in writing to the Burgomasters and collect from them 15 stiv.

Evert Duyckingh appears in Court, complaining, he cannot get Reintje the mason to work ; requesting, that he might put another in his place at his cost as there is only one furnace to be built. The Court Messenger is ordered to notify Reintje to go to work and in default thereof to put another in his place to work.

The Secretary is ordered to draw up a placard of the Cattle Market, Ordering the Burghers not to go to meet any one for the purpose of buy-

ing Cattle, except only at the place appointed, under a penalty for the first time of fl. 6. for the second time fl. 10. for the third offence at the discretion of the Court.

Lodowyck Pos is ordered to go around exactly every month collecting the 15 stiv. for the support of the Rattle Watch.

Salomon La Chair appears in Court complaining, that Jan Jansen Hagenaar does not come to work. Salomon La Chair is ordered to have him Notified by the City Messenger and to put the return on the judgement.

Friday 20th Decemb^r 1658 In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Olof Stevensen Cortlant, Paulus Leendersen van der Grift.

Lodowyck Pos appears in Court communicating to the Burgomasters in writing some persons who are not on the roll for the support of the Watch.

Nicolaas Velthuysen appears in Court complaining, that he cannot get any payment from Gerrit Meyer agreeably to the judgment dated 17th Decemb^r 1658. Burgomasters order the Court Messenger to notify Gerrit de Meyer to fulfill the judgment between him and Nicolaes Velthuyzen on pain of execution.

Burgomasters having considered the petition of Lieuten^t Daniel Litschoe, wherein he requests to be discharged from his office of Fire Inspector ; also that the late Fire Warden, Cristiaen Barens, has gone from here to the South River and died there, they have proposed by nomination to the Director General and Council the following 4 persons.

Jan Jansen de Jongh (the Younger ;)

Pieter Cornelisen van der Veen

Burger Jorisen

Joannes de la Montagne, Junior.

On Daniel Litsco's petition is apostilled : The petitioner's request is granted, as he is Lieutenant of the Burghery and his Year has expired and he is thanked for his good Service.

Honourable, Valiant

Whereas Cristiaen Barens, Fire Warden of this City is gone to the South River and there died and Lieutenant Daniel Litscho also Fire Warden of this City has requested by petition to be discharged from this Ser-

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vice on acc^t of his bad sight and other inconveniences and is discharged therefrom, and it is necessary especially under existing circumstances, that others should be appointed to the office with the old Fire Warden Hend : Hendrick Kip, Therefore Burgomasters of this City propose to your Hon^{rs} by nomination a double number of these four following persons

Jan Jansen the Younger
Pieter Cornelisen Vander Veen,
Burger Jorisen
Joannes La Montagne, Junior

Requesting Your Honours to elect such therefrom as are fittest for such service for the good of the Burghery and inhabitants of this jurisdiction.

Done Amsterdam in N : Netherland the 20th Dec^r 1658

By order of the W. Heeren Burgomasters of this City aforesaid

Joannes Nevius, Secy.

From the persons nominated were elected and confirmed as Fire Wardens Jan Jansen the Younger, and Joannes La Montagne Junior.

Done Fort Amsterdam in N : Netherl^d the 23^d Xb^r 1658.

By Order of the Dr General and Council of N : Netherland

Corn Van Ruyven Secy.

INSTRUCTION FOR THE STAMPER OF THE CANS, ELLS, WEIGHTS IN USE AMONG THE BURGHERS AND INHABITANTS OF THIS CITY.

First. he shall be bound to take good care, that the Cans, Ells, Weights, shall be of their proper weight and measure ; neither too great nor too much, nor too small nor too little.

Second. He shall be no less bound to pay due attention to his own weights or measures on pain of his office.

Third. He shall be bound to accommodate all and every one without delay or hindrance ; for this purpose remain within this City at his lodgings, or if going out to leave word, where he shall be found and keep himself free of blame.

Fourthly, the stamping is granted him provisionally on the foregoing terms, but the changing it, either by increasing or diminishing it shall remain at the discretion of the Burgomasters.

Fifthly, for each piece he may ask and receive as follows :—

For each ell, eight stivers.

For each can, three stivers and if any cans are to be gauged and marked he shall in addition to the stamping receive and demand for gauging and boring, two stivers.

For each Weight from one to twenty pounds, one stiver ;

—from twenty to 50 lbs., four stivers ; and all above fifty pounds, six stivers.

Here follows the oath taken by Andrees de Haas at the hands of the presiding Burgomasters.

I promise and Swear in the presence of the Most High, that I shall observe and obey the points and Articles read for me, in my instruction contained, so and in such wise as they are already drawn up or shall be hereafter drafted, and further demean and acquit myself generally as an honest Inspector of Weights is bound and ought to do. So Truly help me God Almighty.

Friday, 27 Decemb^r 1658. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Nicasius deSille, Olof Stevensen Cortlant, Paulus Leendersen van der Grift.

Jurriaan Jansen van Auwerick appeared in Court demanding his Burgher right, and has taken the proper Burgher oath, and gave an obligation for his Burgher right payable in six weeks.

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Friday, the 3^d January 1659. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Olof Stevensen Cortlant, Paulus Leendersen vander Grift.

Cornelis Barenzen, baker, appears in Court requesting the small Burgher Right, and has taken the proper Burgher Oath.

Saturday, 4th January 1659. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Olof Stevensen Cortlant, Paulus Leendersen vander Grift.

Jan Jansen the Younger and Joannes la Montagne Junior appear in Court, to whom was communicated their election by the Director General and Council to the office of Fire wardens, and the commission was pre-

sented them by the President confirming them in the aforesaid office and they were ordered to attend thereto with Hendrick Hendricks Kip, the old Burgomaster, who also appeared.

Hendrick Willemsen, baker, Joost Teunisen, baker, Jacob the baker, and Andrees de Haas, baker, appear in Court, who are asked why they do not bake any coarse bread, and that the poor commonalty complains of it. Hendrick the baker declares it is on account of the pay ; as they must pay beavers for the grain and get zewant in return and that grain is dear. Joost the baker says, the grain is dear and he must pay fl. 4 @ 5 for a skepel and there is no profit on it. Burgomasters resolve to communicate to the General both the complaint of the poor commonalty as well as the reasons of the bakers.

The Treasurer appearing in Court, he is asked, how the Treasury stands. Answers, nothing comes in from the bucket money ; and for the payment of the Burgher Right he says one person has been with him, who says he must have money from the City ; therefore does not owe any thing ; and says further, there is not a styver in the Treasury and cannot get any money ; and has been with his father-in-law and cannot get any money even from him. Is ordered to accept heavy money from his father in law.

The Court Messengers are ordered, to hand the Treasurer their lists and returns of the Burghers owing bucket money ; and it is resolved, that the Treasurer shall inform the President of those, who have failed to pay the bucket money, that they be summoned before the Burgomasters.

Handed to the Treasurer a short extract of the farming of the excises both of the Cattle and beer and wine.

COMMISSION.

Whereas on the nomination of the Burgomast^r of this City Amsterdam in N : Netherland, the Director General and Council have elected in date 23^d December 1658, Jan Jansen the younger and Joannes de la Montagne Junior as Fire Wardens with the old Firewarden Hendrick Hendricks Kip, the abovenamed Jan Jansen the younger and Joannes La Montagne Junior are therefore hereby Ordered and Authorized to attend to and execute the office of FireWardens together with the old

Firewarden Hendrick Hendricks Kip. Done Amsterdam in N. Netherland the 4th January 1659.

By order of the Burgomasters of the City aforesaid.

Joannes Nevius, Secre^{ry}

Friday, 10 January 1659 ; In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Olof Stevenzen Cortlandt, Paulus Leendersen vander Grift.

Claas Van Elslant the Elder appears in Court and requests to be Clerk of the Market. (*Hal Knecht*) ; who was answered, It shall be seen to.

Reinout Reinoutsen brings to the City Hall one hundred leathern fire-buckets, which he contracted with the Burgomasters to make.

Pieter Cornelis van der Veen appears in Court and requests to be permitted to chastise his Negro Wench ; it was permitted him, but nothing followed.

Ariaan van Laar brings to the City Hall five and twenty leathern fire-buckets, of which he contracted with Burgomasters to make to the number of fifty.

The Court resolved to have Pelgrom Clocq and Gerrit Meyer appear at the Court of Burgomasters and Schepens.

The Court resolved to hang up the leathern fire-buckets in the houses of the following persons :—

From 1 to 50.	In the City Hall.....	50
From 50 to 62.	Daniel Litscho.....	12
From 63 to 74.	Abraham Planck's house in Smith's valley.....	12
From 75 to 86.	Joannes Pietersen Verbruggen.....	12
From 87 to 98.	Paulus Leenderzen vander Grift.....	12
From 99 to 110.	Nicasius de Sille in the Sheeps pasture.....	12
From 111 to 122.	Pieter Wolferzen van Couwenhoven....	12
From 1 to 12.	Jan Janzen the Younger.....	10
From 13 to 24.	Hendrick Hendrickzen Kip, the Elder.....	10
From 25 to 36.	Jacobus Backer.....	10

The Treasurer Allard Anthony appears in Court relating, with Claas van Elslant the Younger, the answer of those of *Perel* Street to the application for the Bucket Money.

Saturday, 11 January, 1659 ; In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Olof Stevensen Cortlant, Paulus Leendersen Vander Grift.

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Lodouyck Pos appears in Court, who is asked, if the Money of the Rattle Watch comes in? Answers he is to go again around to day or to morrow and that there are fifty, who have not paid.

Pieter Cornelissen Van der Veen has brought to the City hall two leathern fire buckets marked P

Nicasius de Sille has caused two leathern fire-Buckets to be brought to the City Hall, marked D

Evert Duycking undertakes to mark the leathern fire-buckets, and to begin next week with Jan Dircksen at 3 stiv : each.

Evert Duycking is ordered to put the Arms of Amsterdam in New Netherland, on the windows of the City Hall.

Monday, 20th January 1659 : In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Olof Stevenzen Cortlandt, Paulus Leenderzen vander Grift.

The officer demands an attachment on the monies of Hendrick Jansen Sluyter, alias Blue Coat, earned on the Rattle Watch ; delivering into Court an action against said Sluyter, leaving the same to the discretion of the Magistrates. Burgomasters declare the attachment valid.

Hendrick Jansen Sluyter appears in Court who is dismissed from his situation. He has watched 49 nights at 24 stivers per Watch comes to.....fl. 58 : 15

Deduct for fines for the fellow watchmen according to the Ordinance, saving the Officers right.....fl. 6

52 : 16

Which fl. 52.16 are attached by the Officer for an action against said Sluyter. Burgomasters condemn Hend^k Jansen Sluyter in the fine of fl. 25, of which the Burgher provost shall have fl. 6.

The Schout Nicasius de Sille delivers into Court an a/c from the books in the City Hall amounting to fl. 62 : 10. Holland Cur'cy ; for which he is allowed ten and a half beavers, from which are then deducted two and a half beavers for the Burgher right of his father in law ; and further, the Treasurer is ordered to pay.

The Treasurer is ordered to deliver one beaver to Jan Ackingh in payment for digging and shoveling.

Cristiaan Pietersen is accepted as Watchman in place of Hendrick

Jansen Sluyter and has promised fidelity at the hands of the presiding Burgomaster.

Friday, 31st January, 1659. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Olof Stevensen Cortlandt, Paulus Leendersen van der Grift.

The Treasurer Allard Anthony appears in Court, in whose hands are placed by Burgomasters some acc^{ts}, orders, and notices of works to be still done to the City and delivered hand work.

Burgomasters have inspected the leathern fire buckets and found one missing being N^o 124. The remainder are brought to divers houses hereinafter specified :—

At Jan Jansen the Younger's. From N ^o 1 to N ^o 12.....	12
At Hendrick Hendrickzen Kip's. From N ^o 12 to N ^o 24.....	12
At Jacobus Backer's. From N ^o 24 to N ^o 36.....	12
At Daniel Litsco's. From N ^o 50 to N ^o 62.....	12
At Abraham Plancks. From N ^o 62 to N ^o 74.....	12
At Joannes P. Verbruggen's. From N ^o 74 to N ^o 86.....	12
At Paulus Leendersen vander Grifts. From N ^o 86 to N ^o 98.....	12
At de Sille's in the Sheep pasture. From N ^o 98 to N ^o 110.....	12
At Pieter Wolferzen van Couwenhoven. From N ^o 110 N ^o 122.....	12

Ariaan van Laer brings to the City Hall 25 leathern fire buckets made by him on contract, which are taken away by Evert Duycking to put the City Arms on them and to number them.

On the petition of the porters and beer carriers, in which they request an increase of wages in labouring at the goods, is apostilled : Postponed till another occasion.

On the petition of Albert Cornelissen Wantenaar, wherein he requests a lot for his lot surveyed off * ; is apostilled :—Petitioner is allowed and granted, in place of the lot surveyed off, herein mentioned, the lot situate between Pieter the Noormern and Teuntje Straatmans, heretofore set down to Dirck Clasen.

On Teunis Kray's petition, wherein he requests to be Harbor Master ; also tally master of the bricks and tiles imported from *Patria* and

* Wantenaar's lot now granted, was on the south side of Wall Street, between William Street and Hanover Square. *Val. Man.* 1865, 690. It was patented to him July 13, 1660. *Albany Records, Book H. H.*, pt. 2, 113. *Val. Man.* 1857, 511. O'C.
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elsewhere, and that his wife may superintend the market to keep it clean ; is apostilled :—Nothing will be done about the market for the present time ; respecting the tiles and bricks it is postponed to further order, and regarding the newly made canal (*graght*) if he require that, he can draw up a separate petition.

On the petition of the Court Messengers, wherein they request to be door keepers of the Orphan Chamber ; is apostilled :—Petitioners' request is granted.

On the Petition of Crein Jacobsen, wherein he requests to have a lot ; is apostilled :—Petitioner is granted the lot situate between Andries the Brewer's servant and Cornelis Hendrickzen, on paying the same as another.

Friday, 7th February 1659 : In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Olof Stevenzen Cortlandt, Marten Cregier.

Whereas the Resolution of the Director General and Council dated 6th March 1657, to the effect that the Office of Treasurer shall be filled by the retiring Burgomaster, is not known by Merten Cregier, it is therefore read to him.

Allard Anthony, late Treasurer and the Paulus Leendersen vander Grift as in coming Treasurer appear in Court. The Treasurer Allard Anthony delivers into Court to the Burgomasters his papers relating to the City's affairs, which Burgomaster's deliver over to the present in coming Treasurer.

Gerrit Hendrickzen, farmer, appears in Court and exhibits his receipts per list ; and whereas a difference is found therein, and the burgomaster has given two receipts for one payment, whereof the afore-said Gerrit Hendrickzen has sought to avail himself, it is resolved that it be settled and the papers examined by arbitrators.

COMMISSION.

Whereas according to extract of the Resolutions of the Hon^{ble} Director General and Council of New Netherland dated 6th March 1657, it is resolved and concluded, that the Treasurers place of this City Amsterdam shall be filled by the last retiring Burgomaster ; Therefore Burgomasters have for this purpose commissioned and authorized the Honble Paulus Leendertsen vander Grift retiring Burgomaster to administer as

Treasurer all this City's incomes and expenditure on orders signed by Burgomasters in authority ; who being sent for to Court and appearing, is confirmed in said office. Done Amsterdam in N: Netherland the 7th February 1659.

The Court of Burgomasters resolved and concluded, to nominate to the Director General and Council Paulus Leendersen van der Grift and Allard Anthony as Orphan Master in place of Marten Cregier, Burgomaster, to elect from them one successor. The following is therefore delivered to the Director General and Council :

Honorable Valiant,

Whereas from those nominated by Burgomasters and Schepens of this City your Honor's have been pleased to elect Marten Cregier as Burgomaster, who was also elected by Your Honors to the office of Orphan Master, and whereas Burgomasters, with the trouble and anxiety of the City's affairs cannot attend thereto with one as Orphan Master, Therefore it is necessary to elect one proper person as Orphan Master in place of Merten Cregier aforesaid, Burgomasters accordingly (to whom your Honors have deferred the Nomination) propose to your Honors a double number to wit :

Paulus Leendersen vander Grift,
Allard Anthony.

Requesting your Honors to elect from them the most reasonable, most intelligent and fittest for such office. Done Amsterdam in N: Netherland at the Court of Burgomasters in the City Hall the 7th January 1659.
By Order of the Burgomasters of the City aforesaid—

Joannes Nevius, Secret^r

Friday 14th Feb^r 1659. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Olof Stevensen Cortlandt, Marten Cregier.

Joannes Nevius exhibited in Court the election of Orphan Master, placed in his hands, which reads as follows :—

Extract from the Register of Resolutions of the Direct^r General and Council of N: Netherland.

10 February, 1659.

From the Nomination presented to the Director General and Council of N: Netherland by the Burgomasters of this City, Allard Anthony late

Burgomaster and Treasurer of this City is elected and confirmed as Orphan Master of this City in place of the late Orphan Master Marten Cregier. Done Fort Amsterdam in N: Netherland Ady as above.

Understood Agrees with the aforesaid Resolution

C. V. Ruyven Secre^y

Allard Anthony appears in Court who is informed of the election of Director General and Council of N: Netherland, choosing him in quality as Orphan Master of this City, and was requested to attend to and serve therein with the other Orphan Masters, promised so to do. The following Commission is therefore sent to him.

Whereas, according to extract from the Register of Resolutions of the Hon^{ble} Director General and Council of N: Netherland in date 10th Feb^y 1659, Allard Anthony is chosen as Orphan Master out of those Nominated by Burgomasters of this City of Amsterdam, in place of Merten Cregier, late Orphan master, and actual Burgomaster, Therefore, the aforesaid Allard Anthony is hereby Ordered and Authorized to attend to and fill the office of Orphan Master with Pieter Wolfersen van Couwenhoven and Joannes T. Verbruggen. Done etc.

Claartje Allerts, Wife of Hans Stein, appears in Court declaring, She has attached fl. 14 in the hands of Reindert Jansen van Hoorn for acc^t of Evert the wood sawyer, requesting the attachment may be declared valid. Burgomasters declare the attachment Valid.

Burgomasters order, that an instruction be sent each to Sieur Nicolaas Verlett and Jieronimus Ebbingh to regulate the estate of Joghim Pietersen Cuyter dec^d and one of the following tenor is sent to the house of each :

Schepen Jieronimus Ebbinch and S^r Nicolaus Verlett are hereby ordered and charged to proceed with the regulation of the estate left by Joghim Pietersen Cuyter and his wife dec^d to the end, that the creditors may get their own. Done Amsterdam in N: Netherland at the Court of the Burgomasters of the City aforesaid the 14th Feb^y 1659. By order etc.

On the petition of Anthony the Moor, wherein he demands payment of Annise Water delivered for acc^t of the City, is apostilled:—Whereas the petitioner furnished the Burgomasters of this City at the time with the Anise herein mentioned to wit, three cans for eight guilders in seawant,

as he sold it to others for one beaver, he shall when opportunity¹ offers, be paid the same in seawant.

Friday, 21st Feb^r 1659: In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Olof Stevensen Cortlandt, Merten Cregier.

The Treasurer Paulus Leenderzen vander Grift appears in Court, stating that he bought from Little Aart about 125 planks, more or less, at 25. stiv^r a piece.

Allard Anthony appears in Court delivering into Court a list of assessments A^o 1665. for furnishing money to the City Treasury.

Burgomasters resolved to demand of the Church Wardens correct acc^t of the property of the Church.

On the 22nd February 1659, the nomination of succeeding Church Wardens is handed to the Director General and Council of N: Netherland and are nominated: Joan: de Decker, Councillor of N: Netherl^d; Joannes de Peister, late Presiding Schepen.

Friday, the 28th February, 1659: In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Olof Stevensen Cortlant, Marten Cregier.

Allard Anthony appears in Court, delivering to Burgomasters the general list of the assessment of the year 1655, also an obligation passed by Pieter Jansen Æmilius, first of Nov^r 1655.

On Jan Gillis Koeck's petition, wherein he requests some allowance to the amount of fl. 50. for ringing the bell, when any placards or ordinances were published from the front (*l'puy*) of this City Hall; is apostilled:—Whereas the Petitioner's predecessors have received their salary from the Deaconry and Church Wardens, the petitioner is also referred to them.

The Treasurer Paulus Leenderzen vander Grift appears in Court and is ordered, and it is by Burgomasters resolved and concluded, that he take no bucket money individually from the poor people, who live in hired houses and cannot pay, but only the half thereof from them, which they may charge to the account of the owners of the house.

Burgomasters handed the Treasurer two commissions as follows:—

Paulus Leendersen vander Grift, Treasurer of this City, is hereby ordered and authorized to collect the bucket money by the Under Schout

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Resolveert Waldron and one of the Court Messengers from each one that has not paid according to list, on such terms as are enacted by Burgomasters of this City.

Paulus Leendersen van der Grift, Treasurer of this City is hereby ordered and authorized to allow the Under Schout Resolveert Waldron with Lodowyck Captain of the Rattle Watch, to collect the watch money and to take a pledge from those who are unwilling, by Order of the Burgomasters.

Sieur Augustyn Heermans requests a Burgher certificate of his great Burgher Right.

The following is the draft of a certificate for those, who receive the Burgher right according to privilege.

We Burgomasters of this City of Amsterdam in N: Netherland certify and declare hereby that N: N. according to privilege dated 2nd Febr^y 1657. granted to this City, because of his quality as etc. is invested with the Great Burgher right and the benefit thereof. In testimony whereof the President has affixed the City Seal hereunto. Done.

And Burgomasters have allowed the Secretary to demand and receive from those, who request this certificate of freedom, for the writing of a great Burgher certificate twenty stivers, and for a small Burgher certificate, twelve stivers.

Friday 7th March 1659: In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Olof Stevensen Cortlandt, Marten Cregier.

The Burgomasters resolve and conclude to send up a nomination to the General and Council of four persons for their Honors to elect therefrom two for the office of Orphan Masters in place of Pieter Wolfersen van Couwenhoven and Joannes Pietersen van Brugge being Schepens as well as Orphan Masters, and they cannot attend to their duties in both qualities besides their business; and are put in nomination

Paulus Leendersen van der Grift,
Govert Loockermanans,
Joannes de Peister,
Jacob Strycker.

Burgomasters aforesaid also resolved to summon on this day eight days being the 14 March, before Schout Nicasius de Sille, both Burgo-

masters and the President of the Schepens, some Burghers, who have lots lying vacant to have them appraised either by themselves or by the Burgomasters, if they will not build on them according to the Placard published from the City Hall by the Director General and Council and by Burgomasters and Schepens, and to have them registered by the Secretary of Burgomasters and Schepens.

The Underschout Resolveert Waldron appears in Court saying, that the Presiding Burgomaster told him to appear at Court of Burgomasters, for he should superintend the *Graght*; to which he answered, that the Secretary shall give him a regulation by which he shall take care of the *Graght*, (or Canal).

COMMISSION.

The Under Schout Resolveert Waldron is hereby ordered and authorized, to take, according to the Placard dated 3^d Decemb^r 1657 published from the front of this City Hall and renewed on the 4th March 1659, good care and superintendance on the newly constructed *Graght*, that no filth be cast into it; also that the boats, canoes and skiffs be placed in regular order therein. Done etc.

On the petition of Anthony More, wherein he requests information, where he shall receive his payment due him from the City is apostilled:—Petitioner shall be furnished with an order from the Presiding Burgomaster, where he is to draw his money.

The Secretary is ordered to tell Jan Gillis Koeck, to give in another petition regarding this matter.

On Hendrick Van Bommel's petition, in which he requests to be Cryer, is apostilled:—No disposition can be taken of the petition, until the place become vacant.

On Teunis Cray's petition is apostilled:—No harbour master shall be appointed for the present.

On the bakers' petition, wherein they request, that they may sell their bread according to the rate of the grain; is apostilled:—Petitioners' request shall be communicated to the Director General and Council, whose resolution shall be made known to them by the first opportunity.

Burgomasters resolved to cause the Placard of the Cattle market to be translated into English and to send it to the Magistrates of the following places:—

Standfort,
Uneque,*
Stratfoort,

Suidhampton,
Suidhool,†
Easthampton,

Milfort.

and to send the translated placard with the underwritten letter also translated.

Honorable Gentⁿ

The annexed is to let your Hono^r know our resolution to erect and establish in this City a Market for fat and lean cattle, requesting your Hono^r to be pleased to make the same known to your subjects, so that if any proprietor be among them, who may be inclined to repair hither with their Cattle at the time fixed in the enclosed, they may regulate themselves accordingly. Whereunto awaiting we are and remain Your Hono^r's friends,

The Burgomasters of the City Amsterdam in N. Netherland.

By order of the same, J. N. Sec^r

Superscription: To the Hon^{ble} the Magistrates of the Village etc:

Friday, 14 March, 1659. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Olof Stevenzen Cortlandt, Merten Cregier.

On the invitation of the Burgomasters the Schout de Sille appears in Court, who is informed that there is question between Jan Charlett and Abraham de Lucena and that they requested, it may be settled by Burgomasters; and whereas it is a matter, which appertains to the entire Bench of Burgomasters and Schepens, they pretend that nothing can be done by them. Whereunto the Schout de Sille answers, that the same being taken into consideration is postponed until the next Court day, and such is also resolved by Burgomasters, but to let them know, if they wish for an extraordinary session they can have it, and Abraham de Lucena can enter his written declaration.

Schout de Sille states, that some timber belonging to Abraham Planck is left lying on the lot, and that the Heer General ordered him to inform the Burgomasters thereof, and that the abovenamed Abraham be interdicted to build thereon, but that arbitrators be appointed, who shall value the lot, as the Company shall retain it, to build thereon at some future

* Fairfield, Conn.

† Southold, L. I.

time, as occasion requires, an Hospital or Orphan Asylum. The Schout further states, that the Director General and Council resolved, that the Commissaries appointed from their Bench shall receive for their trouble fl. 6. per day and fl. 3. for a half day, which must be paid by party or parties.

The presiding Burgomaster informs Paulus Leendersen vander Grift, Allard Anthony, Joannes P^r van Bruggen and Joannes de Peister, sent for to Court and appearing, the reasons, why they are summoned, to wit—

That the Director General and Council have, pursuant to the Extract of the Register of Resolutions dated 10th March, 1659, elected Paulus Leendersen vander Grift, and Joannes de Peister in place of Pieter Wolfersen van Couwenhoven and Joanes P^r van Bruggen as Orphan Masters of this City, requesting them to superintend and perform the duties of said office with Allard Anthony, furnishing them, for this purpose, with a commission of the following tenor.

Whereas according to Extract from the Register of Resolutions of the Hon^{ble} Director General and Council of N. Netherland in date 10 March 1659 Paulus Leendersen vander Grift and Joannes de Peister have been chosen from those nominated by Burgomasters of this City of Amsterdam, as Orphan Masters in Place of Pieter Wolfersen van Couwenhoven and Joannes P^r van Brugh, late Orphan Masters, and at present Schepens, Therefore the aforesaid Paulus Leenderzen vander Grift and Joannes de Peister are hereby ordered and authorized with Allard Anthony to superintend and fill the office of Orphan Masters. Done Amsterdam in N: Netherland, at the Court of the Burgomasters in the City Hall. 14th March 1659.

By Order etc.

Friday, 28th March 1659. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Olof Stevenzen Cortlandt, Marten Cregier.

Allard Anthony appears in Court, and is recommended to prepare the acc^t regarding the City against next Friday which he promises to do.

The Treasurer, Paulus Leendersen van der Grift appears in Court and is informed of the promises, given by Allard Anthony to prepare the City's accounts by next Friday, and is asked, if the money of the Rattle Watch has all come in; also the bucket money? Answers, the period of

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the Rattle Watch money has not yet expired, and that there is something from the bucket money.

Mattheus de Vos appears in Court, to whom was communicated the Order and placard of Director General and Council of N: Netherland concerning the building on vacant lots, or to pay thereon the 15th penny, according to valuation, previously rendered by the owners thereof; otherwise by the Burgomasters: He is therefore asked, how high he estimates his lot? Answers, as he has no community of goods with his wife, and that is her lot, he will speak about it to his wife and within eight days will give information. He was further told, that if it were built on within a year, it would be free from tax.

Sibout Clasen appears in Court and is informed of the Director General and Councils order as above; who gives for answer, he values his lot at fl. 500.

Carel van Bruggen appears in Court, to whom is made known the Director General and Council's order as before; Requests time for consideration. Is ordered to make a return within eight days, which he promises.

Evert Duyckinck appears in Court, to whom is communicated the Director General and Councils order as above. Declares he does not own any vacant lot near his house; but the lot adjoining his house belongs to M^r Smitt *; but is authorized by him to sell it, and that M^r Smitt himself has valued it at fl. 500 in Beavers; he expects him here shortly.

On Jan Gillis Koeck's petition, wherein he requests, that some allowance be granted him for ringing the bell on the Ordinary Court day and publication, is apostilled:—Petitioner is provisionally allowed for a yearly salary for the ringing of the bell for this City, and bringing and fetching the cushions in and out the Church the sum of fl. 50.

Friday the 18th April 1659: In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Olof Stevenzen Cortlant, Marten Cregier.

Hendrick Egbertsen van Nieuwhuyzen appears in Court, exhibiting a petition presented to the Director General and Council and the apostille thereof; requesting, as his house and lot situate opposite Jan de

* These vacant lots were situated on the North side of the present Pearl Str. between Broad and William, (Old Slip). Richard Smith had come from Rhode Island and his lots lay East of Coenties Slip. He sold them in 1661-2 and settled at Nesaquaque, L. I.

Jongh is cut off by Director General and Council, that he be paid therefor at a valuation of arbitrators, Whereupon he is informed through the Court Messenger, Schabanck, that the Burgomasters shall converse with the Director General thereon.

Burgomasters resolved and concluded to erect the Meat-Market; further to cover it with tiles; to have a block brought therein, and to leave the key with Andries (de Haas) the baker who shall provisionally have charge thereof.

Secretary Nevius is ordered to draw out an Order and hand the same to the Schout Nicasius deSille, to send by virtue of his office the Unterschout to N : Uytreght to Jacob Corlaar and bring from there the little boy, procreated off the wife of Hans Vos by Arent van Hattum.

Pieter Janzen Nirenghe appearing in Court promises, on being asked, to go to work next Monday at the commenced pier * (*hoof*t) and further to complete it.

On the following petition of the bakers is apostilled as underWritten, in addition to the previous Order.

To the Worshipful Burgomasters and Schepens of the City of Amsterdam,
in N : Netherland.

We the undersigned bakers here in this place respectfully represent, that it is known to your Honors that the last enacted Ordinance and that on baking was made, when grain was low in price; and whereas the wheat is at present become very dear, the skepel of wheat not being to be bought from the sellers under four guilders in beavers; the petitioners, therefore, cannot abstain soliciting humbly from Your Honors, that you would be pleased to consider the market-price of said grain, and that your Honor^d would be pleased to fix another and a higher value on the bread, which petitioners bake, and such pro rata price as by the rise of grain shall be considered the petitioner's right. 'Tis notorious and known that those of Fort Orange, where the grain is easier to be had and more abundant, sell the loaf of 8 lbs for 20 stivers each. The expence of bringing 400 skepels to the Mill—must pay for freight therefor fl. 120. and fl. 120 for the Mill toll and besides this 40 fl. for bringing it up and down;

* This pier, sometimes called the Bridge, ran out from Pearl Str. at the head of the present Moore Str., adjoining the then Weighhouse and Customhouse. An addition of fifty feet was made to it in the fall of 1660.

being in all 280 fl. in expences. Petitioners request your Hono^r to take these extreme costs into consideration, that they as Burghers and inhabitants may not suffer, but live like their other neighbours ; promising your Hono^r and pledging themselves to use all possible diligence to provide your Honors and the Burghers with bread. This doing

They remain Your Honor's

Subjects and Servants

Was Signed

Joost Teunissen,

Jacob Teunissen

Andries de Haas.

The petition shall be communicated to the Director Genl. and Council, whose resolution shall be made known to them on the first opportunity.

Done Amsterdam in N. Netherland the 17th March 1659.

By Order of the Burgomasters of the City aforesaid.

Joannes Nevius, Sect^y

APOSTILLE.

After communicating the petition to the Director General and Council, the Burgomasters provisionally resolved, that the bread be baked and sold according to the following order and rate :—

A Wheaten loaf of 6 lbs weight..... 15 stiv :

A Rye loaf of 6 lbs weight..... 10 stiv :

A White loaf of 1 lb weight..... 4 stiv :

And the petitioners were ordered to observe and adhere to the above written price until further directed.

The Treasurer, Paulus Leendersen vander Grift appearing in Court requests, that the UnderSchout shall be empowered to collect the bucket money before May ; because many are removing ; also, as the Court Messengers have much to do, that a person be appointed to attend on him in City affairs, proposing Jan Jelissen Koeck, who being sent for to Court, appears and is asked, if he is willing to serve in such an office ? Answers. Yes ; Whereupon he is told to act for a month or six weeks and if he behave well he shall have a good yearly salary. Secretary Nevius is ordered to draft a Commission to this effect and to give it to him.

Burgomasters resolved and concluded to affix some notices, that the

Market for lean cattle shall be beside the ChurchYard, where some stakes shall be fixed, so that those, who will bring any cattle to Market for sale, shall offer them there.

Friday, 25th April, 1659. In the City Hall.

Present the Heeren Olof Stevenzen Cortlant, Marten Cregier.

On the citation of the Burgomasters Joost Teunissen, baker, and Hendrick Willemsen, baker, appear in Court, who are asked Why they do not bake any large bread? Answer, they have no grain, and must purchase it at a high price in heavers, so that they could not give a large loaf of the Weight of 8 ^{lbs} for twenty stivers. Whereupon Burgomasters resolve and order, that the large Wheaten loaf of six lbs weight shall be fixed at 15 stivers; the rye loaf of 6 lbs weight at 12 stiv: and the white loaf of 1 lb weight at 4 stiv:

Jan Jansen Brestee appears in Court requesting, as he is Gauger, that the Magistrates would be pleased to fix a time, when he shall stamp the barrels and what he may demand for Stamping, and marking a small number of barrels. Whereupon Burgomasters resolved, that the marking of barrels shall take place in the Month of May, and for each barrel under the number of ten, marked at one time, to take two stivers each and above ten one stiver each, but to communicate it to the whole Board of Burgomasters and Schepens.

Further resolved to publish and make known to every one, who have any ells, cans, weights to mark to bring the same in the month of May to Andrees de Haas, sworn Inspector, to pay for them according to the regulation given him thereof.

Tuesday, 13. May, 1659. In the City Hall. Present, the Heeren, Marten Cregier, Olof Stevenson Cortlan^t.

Jan Schryver appears in Court stating, that he tapped for the crew of the ship the Unicorn under the promise, that they would pay him; saying further, that the skipper promised to pay him for once, and that he spoke to him also for the balance, but will not agree to it, and the crew had promised not to leave before they had paid him, and that there is still a balance due him of fl. 210.19.

Cornelis Gerlofs also appears in Court demanding payment of the

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crew of the *Unicorn* to the sum of fl. 91:12., which nine of the crew owe.

Hans Dreper appears in Court requesting payment from the crew of the *Unicorn* to the amount of fl. 112:12 for nine men.

Cornelis Marssen, Factor of the Ship the *Unicorn*, with Corns de Bruyn appears in Court, to whom were communicated the Director General and Council's Order, and for want of powder, they were allowed to pay in beavers, at one guilder the pound.

Corns de Bruyn and Corns Marsen, Factor, offer to satisfy the City, and the skipper of the *Unicorn* says provided others do so, he will likewise do so.

Further, the skipper of the *Unicorn* is informed of the claim of the tapsters Against his sailors, Answers, had warned the tapsters not to tap any more for them, than he had answered for.

Tapsters were ordered to settle with each one of the sailors, who are indebted to him and to take an obligation under their hand under promise, that the skipper arriving in Holland may deduct the amount from their earned wages.

Friday, 16th May, 1659. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Marten Cregier, Olof Stevensen Cortlandt.

Jan Hendricksen Steelman appears in Court ratifying with an oath at the hands of the President Burgomaster, the certificate granted in favour of the wife of Pieter Cock, executed before the Notary Mattheus de Vos and certain witnesses in date 15 May, 1659. Whereupon is made a declaration of Burgomasters as follows :—We Burgomasters and Regents of the City of Amsterdam in N. Netherland certify and declare, that Jan Hendricksen Steelman, Burgher and inhabitant here has confirmed by oath the declaration hereunto annexed executed in favour of Annetje Dircke, wife of Pieter Cock ; In testimony whereof the Presiding Burgomaster has ratified the same, the City Seal hereupon impressed, the 16th May 1659 in Amsterdam in N. Netherland.

Was Signed,

Marten Cregier.

Lower Stood,

Joannes Nevius, Secret^r

Joannes Verveelen appears in Court exhibiting the procuration of the widow of Willem Cornelissen Schage, dated—

Hans Dreper, Jan Schryver and Cornelis Gerlofs appear in Court, each declaring, that he received an obligation from the sailors of the *Unicorn*, but that the skipper will not accept to pay it.

The undernamed persons appear in Court requesting their small Burgher Right. Claas Fellis mareschal, Glazier; Isaacq Bedloo; Jop Teunissen; Andries Jeremias Spiringh; Wouter Valck Jacob Hendricksen Haan; Eghbert Meindersen; Evert Mareschal, Joris Jorisen Tonson van Ritfort; Jonas Felber; all of whom have taken their Burgher Oath.

Friday, 27th June 1659: In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Marten Cregier, Olof Stevensen Cortlant

The undernamed persons appear in Court requesting their small Burgher Right:—Carel Beauvois of Leiden, intending to keep school here; Dirck Jansen from Oldenburgh; Antony van Aalst. all of whom have taken the Burgher Oath.

Whereas Allard Anthony has not yet rendered the acc^t of his administration of City finances, an order is therefore sent him to his house, to deliver in the account by next Monday at nine O'Clock at the City Hall, at the Court of Burgomasters, as the General intends to send it to Holland by the ship the *Trouw*, (the Faith).

COMMISSION TO THE TREASURER PAULUS LEENDERSSEN VAN DER GRIFT.

Whereas the Director General and Council of N. Netherland have been pleased to favour this City for its benefit, with a fourth part of the income and proceeds of the Beam, therefore the Burgomasters of this City have hereby authorized the Treasurer Paulus Leendersen Van der Grift to regulate with the Secretary Cornelis van Ruyven for the proceeds and income of the Beam, and to receive the money. Thus done and enacted in Amsterdam in N: Netherland at the Court of the Burgomasters of said City the 27th June 1659.

Friday, 4th July 1659; In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Nicasius deSille, Marten Cregier, Olof Stevensen Cortlant.

Alexander Carolus Curtuis appears in Court, who is informed that

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fl. 200. are allowed him as a yearly present from the City ; an order on the Treasurer is also handed him for fl. 50 over and above, which he thankfully accepts ; but requests as he has but few scholars as yet, that his salary may be somewhat increased, as the beginning entails great expence, saying whenever he gets 25 to 30 children to the school he shall serve for less salary ; but refers it to the discretion of the Magistrates.

Pieter Pia, Nicolaas Joannes Bootsens, appear in Court, requesting the small Burgher Right, and have taken the Burgher oath.

Reinier Pieterzen appears in Court saying, he lies at Pieter Wolferzen's house with Jacob Jansen Staat's goods.

The bakers are allowed provisionally to charge 5 stivers for one lb of white bread.

The Schout is ordered and authorized to go around with one of the Schepens to all the bakers and to take note of the weight of the loaf. Also, to close the shops of all those, who have not purchased their small Burgher Right ; whereunto a commission is granted him.

Anthony de Milt requests by petition, that he may bake and sell the white lb loaf for 5 stivers. Apostille. Petitioner's request is granted provisionally and until further order.

Govert Loockermans requests permission, to lay a drain to carry off the water from his lot. Apostille. After Burgomasters shall have made ocular inspection, their Worships Shall dispose of the matter according to circumstances.

Friday, 11th July 1659 : In the City Hall. Present the Heeren, Marten Cregier, Olof Stevensen Cortlant.

Jan Jansen Brestee appears in Court complaining that Dirck Wessels has left his Service without leave, and without having served out his time ; and he has caused notice to be given him repeatedly to serve out his time, being yet six months ; but he will not do so ; requesting, that the aforesaid Dirck Wessels be ordered to serve out his time. Burgomasters allow Jan Jansen Brestee to forbid Dirck Wessels, by the Court Messenger, his commenced work or trade, until he has given him satisfaction.

Jan Maindersen appears in Court, requesting the small Burgher Right. Offering to earn the money fixed thereto, for the City, whenever the City has any thing to do.

Paulus Leendersen van der Grift and Pieter Wolfersen van Couwenhoven are hereby authorized to settle and arrange the difference between Augustyn Heermans and Jan Andriessen de Graaf and Gysbert Van Laenen *cum sociis*, and to reconcile parties as much as possible.

Dirck Wessels and Reinier Willemsen appear in Court, and Reinier Willemsen offers to pay next Monday or Tuesday his Burgher Right to the amount of fl. 25. in Seawant.

Dirck Wessels is ordered to settle with Jan Jansen Van Brestee, as he has not served out his time, before he can pursue his handicraft or commence baking.

Secretary Nevius is ordered to communicate the following to the skippers here lying in the roadstead :—

Whereas Burgomasters and Schepens of this City of Amsterdam in N. Netherland have received from the Director General and Council, by appointment on their petition, authority to take from trades and skippers, for the erection of a Pier, and for the benefit thereof, 8 stivers per last for loading and discharging at the aforesaid Pier ; the smaller merchandize and goods in proportion ; whereof the skippers shall pay $\frac{1}{3}$ d. and the owners or receivers $\frac{2}{3}$ d. Therefore each skipper at present lying in the road, or in the North River about to depart, is hereby ordered and directed to pay his due quota to the Treasurer of this City before his departure for the benefit of this City, on account of the accommodation received by them through the abovementioned Pier. Done Amsterdam in N. Netherland at the Court of the Burgomasters the 11th July 1659. By order etc.

Extract of the letter from the Hon^{ble} Lords Directors dated 13th February 1659, to the Director General and Council of N : Netherland.

The request your Honors made in favour of the written remonstrance for the granting there an enlarged freedom of foreign trade for the inhabitants We have found, after examination, to be of importance and especial benefit to the aforesaid inhabitants there, but of no small consideration for the Company, as a larger door appears to be opened hereby to defraud it and to deprive it also of considerable revenue in this country, besides the interests, which may be claimed here by the government and particularly by this laudable City, whereby may appear to be diverted from here. Yet having reflected, that this may be a means to encourage every

one to agriculture, and that on its promotion and advancement sufficiently depend the prosperity and success of this country, We have, therefore, after mature deliberation, finally resolved, that the experiment, which should be made by Your Honors on our ratification, may be provisionally prosecuted, on the express condition that the ships which shall go thence to France, Spain, Italy, the Caribbean Islands and other countries, to vend and sell their cargoes of the produce of the country, salted fish, wares and merchandizes, shall be holden and bound to return directly with the freights, which shall be obtained therefrom, either here to this City, Amsterdam, or again to N. Netherland, the place of Your Honors' residence, in order to pay to your Hon^{rs} there, on the unloading and exchange thereof such duties and recognitions, as the Company derives from them in this country. It is, likewise, for special reasons, decreed that no beavers, otters or other peltries shall be exported, except in ships, which are coming thence hither in a direct course. What further relates to the duties to be fixed on the exported agricultural products of the country, timber, wares, salted or dried fish, and whatever else may be prepared or found out by industry there, we would rather refer the matter to your Honors, as we are ignorant here what your English neighbours have enacted hereupon in their own regard, and being fearful of committing herein some error through ignorance. Your Honors are therefore authorised to inform yourselves herein, and then, on communicating with the magistrates there, to fix thereon such reasonable duties, provisionally with our approbation, as shall be considered proper. Before we break off from this point we shall have again earnestly and in a friendly manner to recommend and charge you to pay and cause to be paid vigilant attention to the loading and discharge of such ships, so that the Company may not be defrauded through their good designs and intentions for the advantage of the inhabitants in general, nor be deprived any more of their revenue.

We had heretofore considered the recommendation, made here at the request of the Burgomasters and some of the principal inhabitants that some feasible relief may be granted from the duty (*Paght*) on the N : Netherland tobacco ; and we have earnestly tried all possible means to exempt it entirely therefrom. But the difficulties and obstacles we encountered, deprive us of the hope to be able to effect any thing therein. Yet when the occasion and time seem to us to be favorable, we shall again

press it, and earnestly endeavor to see, if such Services can finally be accomplished. Whenever these are successful we shall advise Your Honors.

What regards the Petition of Burgomasters aforesaid, to the effect that six per cent additional may be laid on the weighing at the Beam, we do not consider the reasons adduced sufficient to justify a change ; for we perceive great objections to such change and alteration. The merchants there on purchasing tobacco and other wares, on which the English do not allow any rebate or discount, can make sufficient calculation, without any danger, thereupon ; as they doubtless do ; for every one is sufficiently knowing to his own interest and is therefore sufficiently alive and awake thereto.

It is further ordered in the aforesaid letter by the Hon^{ble} Lords Directors abovementioned, that all real estate lying within this City of Amsterdam in New Netherland shall henceforth be sold by the City's Secretary, who shall receive therefore 10 stiv : in the hundred over and above his fees for drawing and writing ; the purport whereof shall be more fully explained by the General verbally to the Burgomasters and Schepens.

Understood,

Agrees so far with the Letter.

Amsterdam in N. Netherland the 15 July,

A^o 1659. (Signed) C. Van Ruyven Sec^r

The Schout Nicasius deSille is hereby ordered and authorized to assist Salomon La Chair ; farmer of the Burgher Excise of wines and beer in visiting the cellars of the tapsters and all purchasers of liquers within this City. Done Amsterdam in N : Netherland, 23^d July, 1659.

By Order of the Presiding Burgomast^r

Of the City aforesaid

Joannes Nevius, Sec^r

Cornelis Barendsen, baker, is hereby allowed and provisionally authorized by the Burgomasters of this City to measure all grain and lime coming from without, and to receive as fee from one Burgher delivering to the other, according to the regulation to be given him thereof. Done Amsterdam in N : Netherland 28th July, 1659.

Schepen Joannes van Brugh and Dirck Dircksen Keiser is hereby au-

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thorized by the Burgomasters of this City, to receive from David Ferere four hogsheads of tobacco for acc^t of Pieter Jacobzen Buys. Done Amsterdam in N : Netherland the 12 : Aug^r 1659.

Friday, 8th August 1659 : In the City Hall Present the Heeren Olof Stevensen Cortlant, Marten Cregier.

The Burgomasters order their Secretary to give a minute to the Fire Wardens, ordering them to complete the fire ladders, fire hooks and to inspect the buckets, whether they are tight and fit for use in time of need.

Further to draft a petition from the instruction and regulation for the Vendu Master relative to the sale of real estate, and what to take for it, and to receive in case it be not sold.

To furnish the Schout with a commission in the name of the Burgomasters to notify Velthuysen, that he make, within three days, due inventory of the goods left by his dec^d wife and to deliver it to the Orphan Masters of this City, on pain for the first default.

Salomon La Chair requests by petition, that some persons included in the petition may be questioned on interrogatives thereunto annexed. Whereupon Burgomasters resolve, that as it is an affair appertaining to the whole Bench, he must address himself to them, and therein declare or make known the reasons, why they should be examined on interrogatories ; if any smuggling offence has been committed.

COMMISSION.

The Schout Nicasius de Sille is hereby ordered and authorized by the Burgomasters of this City to notify Nicolaas Velt-huyzen, that he shall have to deliver within three days from date to the Orphan Masters of this City proper statement and inventory of the furniture, effects, debts and credits, left by his wife Janneken Willemsen dec^d vacated and left by death, on pain of imprisonment. Done Amsterdam in N. Netherland, 19th August, 1659. By order &c.

To the Right Hon^{ble} Director General and Council of N: Netherland.

Right Honorable,

Whereas the R^t Hon^{ble} Lords Majors of this Province have been pleased according to Extract of the general Letter communicated to the Director General and Council received by the hither coming ships this

year, to grant to the Secretary of this City, the office of auctioneer of real estate within this City's jurisdiction, and it was therein allowed him to receive 10 stiv : in the hundred above his draft and writing fees and that the purport thereof shall be more fully communicated verbally by the Director General to the Burgomasters and Schepens ; and whereas some sales of real estate are approaching, and a house has been offered for sale, but not sold and the Vendu Master does not know, what he may take, both for writing, loss of time, whether sold or not ; also the emoluments appertaining thereunto ; and also whether the Court Messenger must be paid out of the 10 stivers for his crying, as he has heretofore been from the previously received provision of Vendues. The Burgomasters of this City therefore request that Your Honors may be pleased to grant explanations and instruction of the aforesaid, and to communicate to us petitioners how and in what manner the Hon^{ble} Lords Majors abovenamed have granted the office of auctioneer to the Secretary of this City ; how and to what effect the Vendu Master shall have to regulate himself.

Your petit^{ns} further request Your Hon^{rs}, as You were pleased to favor this City in date 25th Feb^r 1658, with the fourth part of the income and revenue of the Beam, whereby this City may be at once relieved from the old and new debts, and the time of receiving the same is long since expired, for which purpose the petit^{ns} also sent their Treasurer to the Receiver of the Company's Revenues to receive the moneys from him ; who on being spoken to about it, gave for answer, that he had, as yet, no order to pay anything to the City on account of the Beam ; They therefore request Your Honors, to be pleased to give orders to the Receiver, to count out to our Treasurer of this City such monies as Your Honors may be pleased to allow this City from the proceeds of the Beam. Which doing, they are and remain Your Honors' subjects The Burgomasters of the City of Amsterdam in N : Netherland.

By order &c.

Apostille. (Written in the Margin.)

From the real estate which shall be sold by the City's Secretary in quality as Vendu Master, shall be taken and received 10 stiv: per C^t. From what is offered but not sold, half so much, unless he has previously agreed otherwise with the sellers. For writing of the conditions and notices, for each page of from 25 to 30 lines, each line of 30 to 36 letters, 30 stivers ; according to the Ordinance on Secretaries' fees dated January 25th 1658.

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The Messenger shall be paid by the seller and shall receive for putting up a house or lot amounting to one thousand guilders or under, $2\frac{1}{2}$ gl. and of a house or lot over 1000 gl. four guild. whether it be sold or not. What relates to the Beam ; the Lords Directors were written to, and the petitioners were furnished with an extract of the Director General and Council's letter. Whereupon, before any alteration can be made therein, the opinion of the Hon^{ble} Lords Directors must be waited for. Done fort Amsterdam in N. Netherland the 21st August 1659. Understood.

By Order of the Hon^{ble} Director General and Council of N :
Netherland

(Signed) C. van Ruyven, Sec^y

Extract of a letter from the Hon^{ble} Director General and Council of N :
Netherland to the Hon^{ble} Lords Directors of the Privileged West
India Comp^y, Chamber at Amsterdam, dated 23 July 1659.

The requested fourth part of the revenue of the beam is allowed to the Burgomasters only subject to your Hon^{rs} ratification as can be seen by the petition and apostille thereof. But the effect thereof has not as yet followed. Your Honors being disinclined thereunto, we shall suspend the granting them the proceeds until your Honors further advice.

(Understood) Agrees so far with the letter as herein stated,

C. V. Ruyven; Secret^y

Friday, 22nd August 1659: In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Olof Stevenzen Cortlandt, Marten Cregier.

Tryntje van Haarlem appears in Court, who according to her allowed time, is asked, if she now knows, who told her that Anneken van Ruytenbeeck had sat in the house of Correction? Answ: She forgets; 'twas said out of no malice, and that they were playmates. Such being told to Anneken, she answers and says, that she had repeated it and will know the man; she can bring witnesses, as Joannes Vervelen, Meester Paulus and his wife; Geertruydt van Mullemen says that she also said so to the —. Tryntie appearing, declares she knows nothing of Anneken and Geertruydt except what is honest and virtuous; which being communicated to Anneken and Geertruydt, they request proof, that they had illtreated her and had sat in the house of Correction. Anneken and Gertruydt having been asked, if they will lay aside the matter, request delay

in order to consult with honorable people; which is allowed them and retired. Gerrtruydt being informed thereof said she had rather see the affair laid aside.

Jan Pietersen, woodsawyer, appears in Court; says he has another account against the City of four guilders, for riding timber; for which he is ordered to take a note from the president to the Treasurer.

Friday, 30th August. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Olof Stevenzen Cortlant, Marten Cregier.

On Roelof Swartwout's petition requesting declaration, is apostilled: Petitioner is referred to the Director General and Council, as it does not concern this Court.

Augustyn Heermans requests by Petition to lay out his garden; apostilled:—Petitioner shall first satisfy Allard Anthony for costs incurred on the garden and that done, he may lay out and sell the garden.

The Schepen Hendrick Jansen van der Vin and Jacob Kip are hereby requested and authorized by the Burgomasters to go around with the Schout and regulate all such things, as the said Burgomasters ordered him to do in date 4th July of the year 1659.

Anneken van Ruttenburgh and Tryntie van Haarlem [appear in Court] and Anneken is asked, if she be resolved to lay the matter aside? Answ: if it happen so; otherwise not: and demands, that Tryntje shall be confined to her room. The Schout as advocate of Anneken Ruttenburgh concludes, that Tryntie van Haarlem after sentence is pronounced, shall declare to have injured the pltf., and shall indemnify her honorably and profitably;—honorably, by falling on her bare knees here before the Court and begging pardon of the pltf. and justice; and profitably by paying all such sums as etc., provided she declare, that she shall not do any further or equal injury on pltf. Moreover in a fine of £8. flemish, demanding costs. Tryntje van Haarlem was ordered to pay the Schout £2. Flemish.

Pieter Hendrickzen, Under Turnkey, requests by petition some allowance from the City for his service. Apostille:—Petitioner is provisionally allowed yearly fl. 50. and if he behave well it shall be increased.

Friday, 12th September, 1659; In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Olof Stevenzen Cortlant, Marten Cregier.

Abraham Verplanck appears in Court, saying he knows nothing of the merchandize his wife had of M^r Balthus; maintains therefore he is not subject to execution.

Simon Turck appears by petition requesting, that Willem Pietersen shall be ordered by the Magistrates to be satisfied with the mortgage on the land in the Deutel Bay,* at the Mill-Kill, and further with the assignment and obligation. Apostille:—As it is a matter, which appertains to the whole Board, the petitioner must apply to it.

Whereas the Captain of the Watch declares, that two of the watch have gone away; viz. Pieter Jansen Steeghaler and Jan Cornilisen of Vlensburgh, therefore Andries Andriesen and Pieter Jansen of Weecken-dam were appointed in their places.

The following notice was affixed in the last of September:—

The Director General and Council of N: Netherland hereby make known to every one, who is able and willing to serve for the protection of the country and destruction of the Indians, whether on monthly wages or as Volunteers for plunder, to apply to the Direct^r General or the fiscal de Sille, or to Captain-Lieutenant Briant Nuton, who shall give correct information to all. Let it be proclaimed abroad.

Was Under Signed P: Stuyvesant.

To the Honble Burgomasters of this City of Amsterdam in N. Netherland.

Being assured, that your Hon^{rs} are sufficiently acquainted with the low condition of this City, through the constant complaints of our fellow Burghers, some of whom have fled from their lands and houses and come here in poverty seeking to gain a living; others, who have endeavored to help them, reduced to the same condition, so that the debts they have contracted from year to year among this poor Commonalty we believe amounts to more than one hundred thousand guilders more than they can pay; some of them having lost life and property in the year 1655 in the Indian troubles and now, thirdly, some have left their lands and houses through dread of being destroyed: Therefore, we are bound in conscience not to see any one of our Netherlands Nation perish through

* Deutel, now Turtle, Bay was on the East R. betw. 45th and 48th Str. The Mill Kil was a stream, which had its course about 68th Str. and Columbus Avenue, thence following through Central Park it fell into the said Bay between 47th and 48th Str.

poverty, but constantly to sustain and aid him, whether by disbursement of money, provisions or by new advances of goods, which they so doing can not pay—now nor never: That then all comes on the Burghers who have still any means; which has so harassed us from year to year, that it is impossible to benefit so many that each shall receive like justice; being already burthened beyond any other Colony and Townspeople with excessive heavy day and night watch; Yea, even every night—also with voluntary services against enemies at divers times for the public service, from which publick burthens all surrounding places have been exempt. And especially the Scots or traders, who trade through and fro with the ships, and take all the profit out of the country, selling every thing for cash (for which the old inhabitants must wait) without having to bear any burthens; Which the inhabitants, who are among us cannot overcome, unless your Hon^{rs} induce the Director General and Supreme Councillors to grant to us, who are here Burghers in Amsterdam in N: Netherland:—

First.

The Burgher Right in all places here in N. Netherland under the authority of the Hon^{ble} West India Company.

Secondly.

That he, who is Burgher here and departs out of, or into the Country for a year and six weeks may retain his Burgher Right provided he, at least, keep a free room, fire and light here.

Thirdly.

That no one coming first from Holland can go to Fort Orange or other places with Cargoes to trade there with the Indians or Christians, unless he first shall have obtained his Burgher Right here.

Fourthly.

That no man be a Burgher here, except such as promise to remain in this country 3 years; or otherwise that they pay for their Burgher Right one thousand guilders, which we think reasonable for those who come here with cargoes.

Fifthly.

We also request, that the privileges allowed us on the subject of foreign trade may be forthwith published.

We trust then every thing will prosper and that we shall do good service not only to your Honors, but to our beloved Fatherland.

We remain your Honors' Subjects.

(Was Signed)

Paulus Leenders vander Grift,	Allard Anthony,
Joannes de Peister,	Cornelis Steenwyck,
N: Verlett,	Govert Loockermans,
Jacob Backer,	Nicolaas Meyer,
Jacob Strycker,	Pieter Rudolfus,
Joannes van der Meulen,	Reinier Rycken,
Hendrick vander Wall,	Cosseau,
Daniel Van Donck,	Jan Dousy,
Jacob Kip,	Isaack Greveraet,
Pieter Cornelissen vander Veen,	Gerrit Van Tright.

APOSTILLE:

1.

Director General and Council adjudge and decree, that by virtue of the Staple Right granted to this City by the Hon^{ble} Lords Directors in the General Exemptions; also by virtue of the Burgher Right granted to the inhabitants in date 2^d February 1657; the Burghers and inhabitants shall have the right to trade and do business with all Christians and Barbarians throout the entire District of New Netherland.

2.

The second request answers itself; as no man loses his freedom in any place, so long as he keep fire and light.

3.

Regarding the Third. The Director General and Council decree and order hereby, conformably to the order and letters of the Hon^{ble} Lords Directors, dated 12 March 1654 that no newly arriving Scots or traders shall sell or introduce any goods or merchandize within the District of N: Netherland unless he keep an open store here and hath obtained his Burgher Right.

4.

The Fourth point is disallowed as being contrary to the order of the Hon^{ble} Lords Patroons abovementioned, and prejudicial to this place.

5.

What the Hon^{ble} Lords Directors have granted on the fifth request respecting the foreign trade, to the good inhabitants of this Province, an extract thereof is communicated to the Burgomasters and Schepens, who can publish and affix, that when opportunity offers, if they deem such proper. Done Fort Amsterdam in New Netherland the 31st January A^o 1660.

(Was signed) P: Stuyvesant.

Lower Stood, By order of the Hon^{ble} Director
Gen'l and Council of N. Netherlandt.

Was Signed, C. V. Ruyven, Sec^y

Every one is hereby notified, that if any one have any claim against the absconding Cornelis Willemsen, carpenter, he make the same known within 14 days from date 4 Nov^r to Cornelis Pluyvier and Josep Waldron as curators of the Court of this City, appointed thereunto.

Under Stood— Proclaim it forth!

To the Right Hon^{ble} General and Council of New Netherland.

R^t Hon^{ble}

The presiding Burgomaster of this City Amsterdam in N: Netherland respectfully represents to your Honors, that a certain remonstrance hereunto annexed has been handed him signed by some Burghers, representing the low condition and constant complaints continually made to them from some, who have fled from their houses and lands endeavoring to assist themselves in their poverty, not being able to pay what they obtained on credit from the one and the other; as the said remonstrance more fully sets forth; requesting him, the petitioner, in his quality to endeavor to obtain with all respect from your Honors, that you would please to favor the Burghers with the Burgher Right in all places included in the Hon^{ble} West India Company's District of N: Netherland, and so on to 4 or 5 points set forth in said Remonstrance. But as respects the Fourth point, should it be too high for the payment of the Burgher Right for the Scots, or those trading over and hither, they submit the same to your Honors wise council and pleasure. And whereas he, the pet^r, is assured by your Hono^r, that your Honors have nothing in view but the welfare of your Hon^r subjects and the prosperity of this place depending under your Honors directions, especially of this City of Amsterdam standing and lying on the Island

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Manhattan, which the Hon^{ble} West India Company is reserving for their Colonie, your petition^r, therefore turns to your Honors, in the name and at the request of the petitioners, beseeching your Honors in all dutifulness to be pleased to consider what the petitioners set forth in their remonstrance and what ever should result therefrom; to favour their petitioners in what they request in all humility and according to their knowledge for the good of this place and its inhabitants, not doubting but all shall be brought into a better state. But I commend the matter to your Honors wise and fatherly care. Remaining, meanwhile, Hon^{ble} Lords,

Your Honors Subject,

The Presiding Burgomaster of the City aforesaid.

By order of the Same,

Joannes Nevius, Sec^r

Done Amsterdam in N: Netherland the 5th Novemb^r 1659.

Friday, 7th Novemb^r 1659: In the City Hall. Present the Presiding Burgomaster Olof Stevenzen Cortlant.

Barent Jacobzen Cool, Crein Jacobs, Toussein Bryel appear in Court declaring, on being asked their experience in their quality, that Jan Cornelisⁿ of Vlensburgh has again returned to his duty as carrier of beer and the appendages thereto, and that they have scarcely over six guilders per week, and at this time when there are no ships, they can well perform the duties; and as it is necessary one among them should be head, the Burgomaster chose thereunto Barent Jansen Cool, he being the oldest.

Isaack Abrahamsen appears in Court, who is informed, as he applies for the office of beer carrier etc, that the beer carriers declare, they can easily do the work, it is so trifling; requesting it may remain to them as yet.

Isaack Abrahamsen, Burger and inhabitant here, is hereby granted the office of beer carrier and porter at the beam, and authorized to labour with other beer and beam porters at the publick store and dependancies thereof, according to ordinance thereof being, as he has taken the Oath of fidelity at the hands of the Schout. In testimony whereof this is signed by the Heer presiding Burgomaster the 12th Novemb^r 1659 in Amsterdam in N. Netherland.

J: Nevius, Sec^r

Friday, 14th Novemb^r 1659: In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Marten Cregier, Olof Stevensen Cortlant.

Hendrick Jansen Vander Vin appears in Court requesting, that a Churchwarden be appointed with him instead of Pieter Tonneman. Whereupon Nicasius de Sille and Pieter Rudolfus are put in nomination.

Secretary Nevius is ordered to make two acts for Salomon La Chair and Gerrit Hendrickzen, both farmers (of the excise) fully to satisfy and pay the Treasurer the rent within three weeks, on pain of immediate execution.

Honorable, Valiant,

Whereas Pieter Tonneman, Churchwarden of this City, has departed hence to Fatherland in the ship the Moesman, and the office is consequently vacant; and whereas it is necessary the place should be again filled, the Burgomasters therefore propose to your Honors for this purpose a double nomination to select therefrom one in the place of the above-named Church Warden:—to wit—

Nicasius de Sille,

Pieter Rudolfus.

Requesting your Honors to be pleased to elect from them such as your Hon^r may please; and Remain Rt Honble your Hon^r Subjects,

The Burgomasters of the City Amsterdam in N: Netherland.

By order of the Same,

Joannes Nevius, Sec^r

Gerrit Hendrickzen, Farmer of the Excise on all Slaughtered Cattle; Salomon La Chair, Farmer of the Excise of wines and beer consumed within this City's jurisdiction;

You are hereby notified by the Burgomasters of this City fully to satisfy and pay the Treasurer the balance remaining due for the rent of the abovenamed Excise, and that within three weeks time at farthest from the date hereof, on pain of immediate execution. Done at the Court of Burgomasters in the City Hall, Amsterdam in N: Netherland 14 Nov^r 1659.

Friday, 21st Novemb^r 1659: In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Marten Cregier, Olof Stevensen van Cortlant.

The Burgomasters resolved to send an order to Jacques Corteljou, as follows:—

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Jacques Corteljou is hereby ordered to furnish the Burgomasters of this City a memorandum of the breadth of each lot situated on each side of the *Heere Graght* as far as it extends; which lots you have measured in presence of the Burgomasters.

Further resolved, that Hendrick van Bommel shall fill provisionally and until further order the office of Public Crier, for the term of one month:—He is therefore ordered to affix public notices, to notify the same.

NOTICE.

Is hereby given to all and every who has use of the Public Crier, to apply to Hendrick van Bommel who shall attend to the same.

Paulus Leendersen vander Grift appears in Court stating, that he missed two pieces of linen and suspects some one with whom a lost kettle is found; requesting therefore, in consequence of such indications that the Officer be authorized to visit the house where the aforesaid kettle made its appearance, to see if the lost linen be there.

The Schout Nicasius de Sille appearing in Court, the complaint and request of Paulus Leendersen van der Grift are communicated to him; Who says he is ready whenever a Warrant is furnished him.

WARRANT.

The Schout Nicasius de Sille is hereby authorized and ordered by the Burgomasters to go and visit, in the presence of Schepen Joannes van Brugh, accompanied by the Secretary and Court Messenger, the house, chests and cases standing at the Churchyard, where one of the General's soldiers named Hendrick N. at present lives; and what goods are therein. Done in Court etc. By order etc.

Stoffel Mighielsen appears in Court. The Schout de Sille institutes his action against him, because he has for the 4 or 5 days past been going around calling out, that Nicolaas Velthuyzen should take his wife back on pain of the severest punishment; saying he has an order from superior authority. The Schout concludes, that he, for his committed fault shall be placed at the stake, where justice is administered and there whipped; to be further broken of his office and banished the Country. Stoffel Mighielzen having communication of the same, says he was drunk and knows nothing of it. Being asked by whose authority he so acted ?

Answers, no person authorized him. Burgomasters having considered the demand of the Schout on and against Stoffel Mighielsen for and on account of crimes by him committed, which cannot be tolerated in a place where justice is administered; break the aforesaid Stoffel Mighielsen of his office, keeping open the action the Schout shall institute against him.

The Schout represents in writing the complaints of several traders and Burghers against the beer carriers and porters at the Beam; requesting the same may be looked into.

Saturday, 22^d Novemb^r 1659. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Marten Cregier, Olof Stevensen Cortlant.

Jurrien Blanck and Isack Greveraet being summoned by Burgomasters appear in Court and are informed of the reasons of their being summoned namely—to see, if Burgomasters cannot bring about an arrangement between them, and they are asked, what their intention is, and if they can come to an understanding. Jurrien Blanck answers; as Isaacq Greveraet has requested copy of the demand to answer thereunto, that the suit shall take its course, or that Greveraet shall make amends for the injury done his wife honorably and profitably, as his wife demands. After many arguments of parties among each other, they were asked by their Worships, if they would consent to lay the suit aside or not? Greveraet answers, Yes; to which Jurrien Blanck cannot agree, but to proceed with his suit against his party.

Friday, 28th Nov^r 1659. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Nicasijs de Sille, Marten Cregier, Olof Steven van Cortlant.

Barent Jacobsen Cool, Crein Jacobsen, Toussein Briel, Isaack Abrahamsen appear in Court, who are informed of the complaints of the traders according to the remonstrance of the Schout, that they are unwilling to carry the salt and other things, included in the remonstrance—Whereupon Barent Jacobs Cool answers in the name of the others, that they were prevented by the departure of the General; also, they never carried salt nor ever pretended to do so and other excuses. Burgomasters order them to keep the Bridge clean, and that notices be affixed, what those shall have to pay, who lay wood on the Bridge; and they were

allowed to do what was asked of them, when they have nothing to do at the Beam; and are ordered to be found at the Beam, or to leave word, where they can be found; which they promise.

This date Isaack Abrahamsen has taken the Oath of fidelity as Beam and Beer porter and Public Store Labourer.

It is further ordered on the request and remonstrance of the Schout Nicasius de Sille that notices be affixed as follows:—

Burgomasters of the City of Amsterdam in N: Netherland hereby give notice to those, who claim their Burgher right, whether small or great, and have no freedom of the City, that they shall procure and receive the same within fourteen days from this date, 5th December of this year 1659, being the 19th and 20th of the same month, Friday and Saturday, when the Burgomasters shall sit at this City Hall from nine o'Clock in the morning until Noon. On pain, failing therein, of not being able to carry on any business, whatever the same may be.

Under Stood Let the one proclaim it to the other!

The Court resolved to speak to the General about the Harbour Masters ship.

Sieur Timotheus Gabry and Jacques Cousseau are hereby authorized and qualified to examine, in presence of Hendrick Jansen vander Vin appointed by the Presiding Burgomaster, the payment, which Jan Pietersen has to claim from Jacobus Vis for a quantity of salt, which the abovenamed Vis brought from the abovenamed Jan Pietersen, whether it be merchantable; if not to appraise and value it, and to reconcile parties. Done Amsterdam in N: Netherland 28th Novemb^r 1659.

By Order of the Presiding Burgomaster of the City aforesaid,

J: Nevius, Secre^r

Friday, 12th Decemb^r 1659. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Marten Cregier, Olof Stevensen Cortlant.

Burgomasters order Notice regarding the Bridge to be affixed to the Beam; as follows:—

Whereas the Pier or Bridge must be kept clean, each and every one, who brings fire wood or any other thing there, is hereby notified to pay to the Weighhouse Porters 2 stiv: per hhd pieces of wood, and the rest in proportion.

ORDER TO THE MARSHAL.

The Marshal, Mattheus de Vos, is hereby ordered and authorized by the Burgomasters of this City, to notify the Farmers, Gerrit Hendricksen van Harderwyck and Salomon La Chair, to pay within eight days precisely to the Treasurer of this City their arrears of Farm money, on pain of immediate execution. Done etc.

The Marshal, Mattheus de Vos, requests that he may proceed with the execution on and against Simon Hermesen; which is allowed him.

Pieter, the Turnkey, appears in Court, requesting some money on his allowed yearly salary. Is answered; the year has not yet expired; also there is no money in the Treasury; therefore, he must wait a little, until something come into the Treasury.

Friday, 19th Decemb^r 1659. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Marten Cregier, Olof Stevensen Cortlant.

This date several took out their certificates as Freemen, as the same is noted by the presiding Burgomaster.

Salomon La Chair and Cornelis Pluyvier appear in Court; Salomon La Chair demanding four and twenty guilders, eleven stivers from Cornelis Pluyvier for excise. Whereunto Pluyvier answers, he has sold eleven ankers; demanding Burgher privilege. Salomon La Chair replies and says, that the Burghers were not allowed any licence to sell. Burgomasters say they will consider the case.

Pieter de Noorman's wife appears in Court; requests, that the Magistrates will appoint two arbitrators on a difficulty between her husband and Jan Cornelissen the Zealander regarding a wagon road; whereunto are appointed and authorized Thomas Hal and Dirck the Noorman according to Commission.

Salomon La Chair requests by petition time for the fulfillment and payment for his arrears of farm money. Apostille:—Petitioner was at farthest allowed a month's time, on condition in the meantime of paying so much to the Treasurer as he can bring up to the effectual payment up to the month: and in default thereof prompt execution.

Saturday, 20th December 1659; In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Nicasius de Sille, Marten Cregier, Olof Stevensen Cortlant.

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Jan Janzen de Jongh, being sent for by Schout and Burgomasters, appears in Court, and is told, that the Deacons going around to take up the Poor-boxes had been to his house, and represent, that they found little or nothing therein; and whereas Aaltje Barends served at the wedding at his house and is a notorious thief, he is therefore asked what he knows about it. He answers, that he has spoken to Claas his Negro with sharp words and threats about it, suspecting such was done by him, and that the negro told him, that he saw the abovenamed Aaltje stand on the table and turn the box upside down; also saw Aaltje take candles and other things during the wedding; and further declares, that he going to Breuckel to be married there, gave the key of the chest to Claas van Elslandt the Younger, who gave it to Claas the Negro, and it got into the aforesaid Aaltje's hands, and that he, after the wedding was over, opening the chest and looking after the property, found some things missing, as new linen Caps and a linen bonnet; but cannot say, who did it; Whereupon he takes his departure.

This date again, divers have taken out their Burgher papers; entered by the Presiding Burgomaster^r

Tuesday, 23^d Decemb^r 1659: In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Nicasius de Sille, Marten Cregier, Olof Stevensen Cortlant, Paulus Leenderzen van der Grift.

This date divers more took out the Burgher papers, which are signed by the Presiding Burgomaster.

Wednesday, 24 Decemb^r 1659: In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Nicasius deSille, Marten Cregier, Olof Stevensen Cortlant, Paulus Leenderzen vander Grift.

Burgomasters resolved to write a letter to Jacob Alricx to send back the bell which D^e Welius had borrowed provisionally from this City, as they had need of the same.

Burgomasters further resolved to furnish Allard Anthony with the following order:—

Allard Anthony is requested by the Burgomasters of this City to deliver to their W^t with the least possible delay the acc^t of the Treasurership of this City, and should he not find the Secretary's acc^t respecting

the estate of Joghim Pietersen Cuyter dec^d, to be pleased to credit the estate of the aforesaid Joghim Pietersen and debit the Treasury with the receipt, the same being expected without delay. Done 24th Decemb^r 1659.

Honourable, Valiant Sir,

Whereas a bell was given to Dom^s Welius by form of a loan and for the accommodation of the Colony of New-Amstel, to use the same there provisionally, until it be asked back, and this City having again need for it, we request your Honor, to send it back to us by the first opportunity, which shall be to us an act of friendship. May God the Lord long preserve your Hon^r in health and prosperous government and a happy New Year. Remaining Your Hon^r's affectionate friends, The Burgomasters of the City of Amsterdam in N. Netherland.

Under Stood By order of the Burgomasters of the City aforesaid,
(Was Signed) Joannes Nevius, Sec^r

At the Side Stood, Done Amsterdam in N. Netherland the 30th Decemb^r 1659.

The Superscription was: Honourable, Valiant, Wise, Prudent very Discreet Jacob Alricx, Director of the Colony of New Amstel, situate in the South River.

Friday, 2^d January, 1660. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Marten Cregier, Olof Stevensen Cortlant.

Mattheus deVos, Marshal, is hereby ordered and authorized by the Burgomasters of this City to proceed with the Execution against Gerrit Hendricksen van Harderwyck for his arrears on the rent for excise.

Burgomasters of this City having examined the remonstrance and demand of Burger Jorissen on the award of Mighiel Jansen and Tomas Hal appointed by the Court of this City as arbitrators over the question between Hans Vos and Burger Jorissen, and having considered it against the award, again refer the case in question to Mighiel Jansen and Tomas Hal, adding as umpire Paulus Leendersen Van der Grift, definitively to decide, if possible the aforesaid question; if not, to report their proceedings to the Court. Done, Amsterdam, etc.

Friday afternoon, 16th January, 1660; In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Marten Cregier, Olof Stevensen Cortlant.

M. Hermen van Hooboocke requests by petition, that he may receive an allowance from the City, as he is behind hand with the building of the School, and for divers other reasons set forth in the petition; on which petition is apostilled:—Petitioner is allowed to receive his current year's salary, which shall be paid him at a more convenient season on an Order of the Burgomasters on the Treasurer, and his allowance henceforth is abolished.

Jan Gillisen Koeck appears in Court, asking if the Magistrates are satisfied with his services for the City? Whereupon is answered, Yes. Requests therefore to know what their Worships will please to allow him for his service? Which service being considered by the Burgomasters, they have, provisionally, raised his salary from fifty guilders to one hundred, provided he remain in the Treasurer's employ and collects the City's revenue, and does whatever duties appertaining to the City.

Burgomasters resolve to send the following Notification and Order to Salomon La Chair:—

Salomon La Chair—By petition dated 19th December 1659, you requested some delay to pay the Treasurer of this City the Arrearages of excise rent, and by order on the said petition a month's time was granted you; paying, meanwhile, to the Treasurer abovenamed so much in diminution of the aforesaid rent, as you can contribute until the expiration of aforesaid time. Wherein you have remained in default up to the present time. You are therefore expressly ordered and charged to satisfy and pay unto the Treasurer within the time of thrice four and twenty hours from the date underwritten, without any longer delay, the said Arrears; or in default thereof execution shall issue without giving any more time. Done, Amsterdam in N. Netherland the 19th January, 1660. By Order etc.

Monday, 26th January, 1660; In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Marten Cregier, Olof Stevensen Cortlant.

Salomon La Chair appears in Court and requests, that their Worships will be pleased to consider the expedition to Esopus, to enjoy an abatement on the rent due, whereas the consumption in the taverns was during that time but small; requests also prolongation of time, saying some have promised him to pay something, hoping to pay over to the City in a

month or two, seven to eight hundred guilders, on account of the *Pacht* (rent).

Saturday 31st January 1660. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Marten Cregier, Olof Stevensen van Cortlant.

Allard Anthony appears in Court giving an acc^t of his administration in quality as Treasurer of the Cities domains, which is examined by Burgomasters.

Jan Reindersen Spits, Gunner here, appears in Court, to whom is promised an order next week after the election on the Treasurer for the trouble, he has been at for the City.

Saturday, 7th February, 1660. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Burgomasters, Marten Cregier, Allard Anthony.

Olof Stevensen Van Cortlant and Paulus Leendersen vander Grift appear in Court, and Paulus Leendersen van der Grift renders an acc^t of his Treasurership regarding the City's domains (Revenue) delivering the papers relating to these to Olof Stevensen Cortlant.

Claas Tysen appears in Court, requesting payment of fl. 150. pursuant to assignment of the Treasurer on Gerrit Hendricksen, Farmer, for a claim he has against the City. Burgomasters order Gerrit Hendricksen Van Harderwyck to pay Claas Tysen the fl. 150. according to assignment given Claas Tysen on him.

Burgomasters order, that Jacques Corteljou be directed to hand in to Burgomasters a list of the measurement of the lots situate on both sides of the Heeren Graght.

Also that a Commission be drawn up for Oloff Stevensen Cortlant respecting his Treasurership.

Teunis Cray and David Wessels appear in Court and request, that they may sell the goods of David Deelee, taken by inventory, and attached for a claim, they have against aforesaid David Deelee. Petitioners are allowed their request, on condition of rendering to Burgomasters a memorandum of the proceeds thereof.

Burgomasters nominated Olof Stevensen Cortlant and Pieter van Couwenhoven, that one of them may be chosen by the Director General and Council, as Orphan Master in the place of Allard Anthony, late Orphan Master and actual Burgomaster.

LETTER TO JAN FORBIS.

Jan Forbis—Whereas you have as yet failed to convey in due form to Pieter Jansen Trynburgh, commonly called Pieter the Noorman, the land you sold to the aforesaid Pieter Jansen and for which you received payment; and Pieter Jansen has sold the land again to Jan Cornelisen the Zealander, and Jan Cornelisen demands the deed of said land from him; And whereas Pieter Jansen has received as yet no deed from you, therefore cannot give any conveyance; you are in consequence hereby ordered and charged by the Presiding Burgomaster to come immediately hither and to convey the aforesaid land to the abovenamed Pieter Jansen, and in default thereof to bear all the costs that may accrue thereon. Whereby You have to regulate Yourself. Done Amsterdam in N: Netherland 7th Feb^r 1660.

By Order of the Presiding Burgomaster of the City abovenamed.

Joannes Nevius, Sec^r

Friday, 13th February, 1660. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Marten Cregier, Allard Anthony.

Olof Stevensen Cortlant and Paulus Leenderzen Vander Grist appear in Court.

Rendered into Court the account of expences for making and sheeting the *Heere Gracht* (the Canal) within this City, and it was found that on both sides of the canal each resident, or occupant of a lot, shall pay in discharge of said expences on so much as he possesses, the sum of Forty guilders in Zewant per rod, and the foot in proportion,* according to the measurement of the sworn surveyor Jacques Corteljou, hereunder specified:—

Hans Dreper.....	1.10	.... fl.	73.—
Hendrick [Willemsen] the Baker.....	5.4½	....	214.17.
Teunis Cray.....	2.½	....	81.13.
Burgomast ^r Olof Stevensen Cortlant.....	2.4	....	93.4.
Frerick Lubberzen.....	4.3½	....	171.11.

* This assessment affected only the lots on Broad Str. between Pearl and Beaver. Hans Dreper's was on the West side between Pearl and Bridge; the following lots were on the same side, G. Cornelis' extending from Market field to Beaver. The others were on the East side of Broad Str.

Burgomast ^r Olof Stevensen Cortlant.....	1.9	.... fl	69.14.
Pieter Menist*.....	1.10	....	73.—
Gerrit Jansen Roos.....	2.	....	80.—
Reinhout Reinhoutsen.....	4.	....	160.—
Coenraat ten Eyck.....	2.2½	....	88.5.
David Wessels.....	1.10½	....	74.13.
Pieter van Naarden.....	1.9½	....	71.7.
Guiliam Cornelis.....	3.5½	....	138.3.
Joghim Beekman.....	2.11½	....	117.19.
Jacob Backer.....	4.1	....	163.6.
Jan Rutgersen.....	2.5	....	96.10.
Abraham (Jansen) the Carpenter.....	3.1	....	123.6.
Adriaen Vincent.....	6.10	....	273.
Jacob van Couwenhoven.....	6.6½	261.9.
Cornelis Melein.....	4.7	183.2.
Hendrick Jansen Van der Vin.....	4.7½	185.—

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Burgomasters of this City do hereby authorize and qualify the Treasurer Olof Stevensen Cortlant to collect and receive from the above-mentioned persons in payment of the expences incurred in making up and sheet piling the Canal (*Heere Graght*), as follows:—(as above specified.)

Friday, 27th February 1660. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Marten Cregier, Allard Anthony.

Resolved in Court to write a letter to Alexander d'Hinojosse, to send back the bell, given him by form of a loan; and it reads as follows:—

Copy.

Honourable, Valiant Sir,

We requested on the 30th Decemb^r 1659 by letter to M^r Jacob Alricx dec^d a bell given to Dom^s Everhardus Welius dec^d by form of loan for the accommodation of the Colony of New Amstel, to be used there provisionally until again demanded, and this City being greatly in want of

* Abbreviated for Mennonist.

it, that his Hon^r would be pleased to have the same returned to us, and to send it over by the first opportunity; and it afterwards pleased God the Lord to take Mr. Alricx out of this world; We therefore request your Honor to send us back the said bell by the first opportunity; if possible by the bearer hereof, Mr. Jacobus Backer, Schepen of this City, whereby an act of friendship shall be done us. Remaining Your Honors friends, The Burgomasters of the City of Amsterdam in N: Netherland.

At the Side Stood; Amsterdam in N. Netherland the 27th February 1660.

The Superscription was:—Honourable, Wise, Prudent and Very Discreet Mr. Alexander d'Hynojossa Cap^t Lieutenant, of the Colony New Amstel, Situate on the South River.

Coenraat ten Eyck and Reinhout Reinhoutsen appear in Court, are informed of the expences of making the Canal (*graght*) and told they must each pay their quota, and to hand over the same whenever the Treasurer sends for it. Whereupon they answer; they derive no profit from the Canal, but finally promise to do as others.

Wernaar Wessels appears in Court as attorney of his mother Metje Wessels; who demands payment of the judgment pronounced between his mother and Hendrick van der Walle against the above named Van der Walle; and that the monies be brought in consignment. Whereupon, the Marshal is ordered to put these in execution.

Burgomasters direct an order to be made, instructing each one residing along the beach of the East River, to build up and raise their sheet piling higher within the space of six weeks; under a penalty of five and twenty guilders.

Jan Jansen Hagenaar appears in Court; asks if there be any thing else to do, as all that he was ordered is done? He is ordered to look up the City ladders and to make a shed, to keep the ladders under.

Jan Jansen requests a deed of his lot bought from the City.

Hendrick (Willemsen), the baker and Joghim Beeckman appearing in Court, are informed of the expences of the *Heere Graght* (the Canal) and told, that they shall have to pay their quota as well as the rest, when the Treasurer sends for it, and that Reinhout Reinhoutsen and Coenraat ten Eyck were also informed thereof and promised to do like others. Joghim Beeckman answ: He has no benefit of the *Graght*; and Hen-

drick says, that when the Canal was making, he had leisure to come himself and work at it, and it is a very difficult time to earn anything, and has nothing. But after much talk they say, they will do, what is to be done.

Resolved and Concluded in Court, that those who live on the *Heere Graght* shall have to pay to the Treasurer within one month from this, one fourth part of their assessment for the payment and regulation of the expences incurred in the aforesaid *Graght*, according to calculation made on the 13th February last.

It was also directed, that an order be sent to Sieur Joannes Van Brugh to pay his assessment to the Treasurer Olof Stevensen Cortlant.

Salomon La Chair appearing in Court was notified, that there must be money to pay his arrears of the farming. Answers; What can I do? And is ordered to find means, which he promises to do.

Whereas Nicolaes Langevelthuyzen has gone away and absconded from here, and as the Officer, as Orphan Master of this City, has taken some of his goods and brought them to the City Hall attached by him and the Creditors, and by order of the Court the goods were kept in his house, whereby great costs are incurred to the injury of the creditors: Burgomasters and Schepens for the further prevention thereof, authorize and qualify hereby Paulus Leenderzen van der Grift and Joannes de Peister, Orphan Masters of this City, to sell the said attached goods forthwith for the best advantage of Court and creditors; to bring the Monies proceeding therefrom in consignment to the secretary of this City, of which the Court will then dispose further. Done Amsterdam in N: Netherland the 27th February 1660. By Order etc.

Mattheus deVos, the Marshal, is hereby authorised and ordered by the Presiding Burgomaster to notify Salomon La Chair, that he shall satisfy and pay his arrears of farm money to Oloff Stevens Cortlant, Treasurer of this City, within three day from date and in default thereof the Marshal is ordered to levy execution on him. Done Amsterdam in New Netherland the 10th March 1660.

By Order of the Burgomaster of the City aforesaid,

Joannes Nevius, Sec^r

The Marshal is hereby ordered and authorized by the Presiding Burgomaster of this City, to ask Salomon La Chair if the arrears of farm

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money be ready to be immediately paid to the Treasurer Olof Stevensen Cortlant; and in default thereof the Marshal is authorized to inventory his goods and to levy execution thereon. Done Amsterdam in N: Netherland 23^d March 1660. By order as above.

Mr. Paulus Van de Beeck, Farmer of the Burgher Excise of Beer and Wine to be consumed within this City's jurisdiction, is hereby ordered by the Presiding Burgomaster of City to give bill of excise to Eghbert Van Borssum, on paying for the same, for what either of beer or wines he or any of his enters; and if you have any claim against him, you can institute your action before the Court of this City. Done Amsterdam in New Netherland the 23^d March 1660.

By Order of the same as above.

Oloff Stevensen Cortlant is hereby allowed by the Presiding Burgomaster to let Eghbert Van Borssum have the ton of beer, which he or any of his bespoke from you, as the Farmer is unwilling to let him have a permit of excise; and the beer carriers are allowed to work at the aforesaid beer. Done Amsterdam in N: Netherland, the 23^d March 1660.

By order as aforesaid.

On the petition of Cornelis Barense, baker, whereby he requests to be appointed Teller of the Bricks and Tiles coming from *Patria* and other places, as he cannot support his family as Measurer of Grain and Lime and Similar things; and on the resolution of Burgomasters to draw his fees:—Whereon is apostilled—Petitioner until further order is provisionally authorized and qualified as Teller of the Bricks and Tiles which come from *Patria* and other places and for fee shall draw four stivers per thousand, half of which shall be paid by the purchaser and half by the seller. Done, Amsterdam in N: Netherland the 9th April, 1660.

By Order as above.

ORDER FOR THE SKIPPER, JAN JANZEN BESTEVAAR.

Whereas Burgomasters and Schepens of this City, Amsterdam in New Netherland, have received by appointment on their petition, from the Director General and Council of N: Netherland, liberty to take as well from the traders as skippers, for the erection of a Pier to and for the accommodation of the same, in discharging and loading at said Pier, eight stivers per last, the smaller merchandize and goods in proportion, whereof the skipper shall pay one third and the owner and receiver two thirds;

therefore Jan Jansen Bestevaar is hereby ordered and charged to pay before he leaves, to the Treasurer of this City, his imposed quota for the benefit of this City, for the accommodation experienced by him through the abovenamed Pier. Done Amsterdam in New Netherland the 9th April 1660.

Skipper Jan Janzen Bestevaar is hereby notified that all the tiles and bricks henceforth coming from *Patria* must be counted by Cornelis Barenzen, Grain & Lime Measurer, as he for the prevention of difficulties and trouble is thereunto qualified and authorized by the Presiding Burgomaster; and he is therefore ordered not to deliver any bricks or tiles to any person, unless the same be counted by the said Cornelis Barenzen, who shall receive as fee four stivers per thousand on account of the purchaser and seller; each half. Done Amsterdam in New Netherland, the 9th April 1660.

By order of the Presiding Burgomaster of the
City Amsterdam aforesaid,
Joannes Nevius, Sec^r

Friday, 4th May 1660. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Nicasiaus de Sille, Allard Anthony, Marten Cregier.

M^r Jacob Huges appears in Court, requesting, that he may prosecute his voyage to Fatherland. Whereupon the Burgomasters informed him, that his father in law had presented a petition. Answering thereunto, he requests, that his father in law may be brought up, as he had told him, he knew nothing about it. The petition being read to M^r Jacob that it is an invented petition, got up by one or the other: Requests, therefore, that the Notary de Vos may be sent for. M^r Jacob is asked, how much he leaves his wife for her support in this Country in case he depart? Answers, all her linen, woollen clothes, jewelry, twenty one skepel's of wheat, two skepels for grinding fee, fifty to sixty pounds of butter, one tub of soap; also something in store, and say there is laid by fl. 200 in Seawant and the outstanding debts according to power to be given his father in law. M^r Jacob Huges is recommended immediately to designate by a Notary all he intends to leave here for the support of his wife; also to have written and executed a power to his father in law for his remaining property and to communicate the same to the President.

On Hendrick Egbertsen's petition is apostilled—Whereas Director General and Council of N : Netherland have condemned the house and lot of petitioner, and not the Burgomasters of this City, petitioner is therefore referred to the Director General and Council of N : Netherland.

An Acte to be given to Skipper Jacob Janzen Staats respecting bridge money and the measuring of bricks tiles, similar to that to skipper Jan Janzen Bestevaar.

Burgomasters resolve to make an Order, that no person shall have power to unload any goods coming from abroad, by ships, yachts or boats, from one ship into another, or even to weigh on board, or in any ship what is subject to the Beam ; but to discharge the goods on the Bridge or Pier, which is built for that purpose, and to weigh at the Beam, what is subject to the Beam.

Further the Court Messengers shall not presume to serve an attachment on any person or property without first communicating with the Burgomaster or Officer, on pain of dismissal.

Thirdly, also to order the Schout to warn and order for the last time those residing on the East and North Rivers, that they shall build up their street piling, within three weeks time under the fine affixed thereof, without regard of persons, and to cite those in default to the City Hall and to complain of them according to his Order.

The Officer requests that the gate in the rear of the City Hall leading to the High Street * (*Hoogh-Straat*) may be made, and that the Jailer be ordered not to bring any planks or other goods on the lot behind the City Hall, without having the, previous consent of the presiding Burgomaster and to remove what lies there. To this end the Jailer is handed the following order—

Pieter Schaaftbanck, the Jailer, is ordered hereby and charged by the Burgomasters to notify and direct the owners of the bricks, planks or other goods, lying on the place behind the City Hall, to have the same removed, or in default thereof, that the same shall be removed at their expence, and further not to allow any property, of what sort soever it may be, to be brought behind the City Hall, without first having the consent of the President of the BurgoMasters.

* Now Stone Str.

This, date 14th June 1660, the Presiding Burgomaster exhibits certain petition presented by M^r Jacob Huges ; whereupon ordered to be apostilled :—Permission to depart and giving passes appertains to the R^t Hon^{ble} Director General. Therefore the petitioner is referred to his Honour.

This date, 17th June, Burgomasters directed the following Order to be sent to skippers Jan Janzen Bestevaar, Jacob Janzen Staats and Jan Ryersen by Lovowyc Pos, Burgher-Provost.

N : N. skipper of the ship etc. Yon are hereby ordered by the Burgomasters of this City, according to the custom and order here to hand to the bearer hereof, Lodowyc Pos, the Burgher Provost five and twenty pounds of powder for the City. Done Amsterdam in N. Netherland this 17 June, 1660. By order etc.

Friday, 18th June, 1660. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Allard Anthony, Marten Cregier.

Jan Jurriaansen Becker summoned by the Burgomasters being called is absent ; therefore default.

Burgomasters resolved to notify Jan Juriaansen Becker by Acte, that he presume not to tap to anyone without first obtaining consent of Burgomasters.

NOTICE.

Jan Jurriaansen Becker. You are hereby notified by the Burgomasters of this City, not to tap for any person, be he who he may, without first having consent of Burgomasters thereof. Done.

The President states, that Jacobus Backer was with him, relating, that those, who reside on both sides of the *Heere Graght* intend generally to hand in a petition, wherein they ask that the Burgomasters shall designate those, who have derived most benefit from the constructing of the aforesaid Canal to help to pay the expences with them ; requesting eight days time ; which being considered, eight days delay was taken respecting said demand and to invite the Director General to assist therein.

The President further states, the Hon^{ble} Director General decrees, that all those, who have come in the last arrived ship, the *Gilded Beaver*, and those who may yet come,* shall, if they ask the small or great Burgher Right have to pay therefor ; for the small Burgher Right twenty guilders

* For lists of these immigrants see *N. Y. Doc. Hist.*, 3, 52.

Holland Currency (\$8.) and for the great Burgher Right fifty guilders, also Holland Cur^r. (\$20.) or in beavers, the beaver to be reckoned at six guilders; and to hand notice thereof to the Treasurer.

TO THE TREASURER.

Whereas the R^t Hon^{ble} Director General and Council of New Netherland resolved that all those, who arrived in this Country in the last arrived ship the *Gilded Beaver*, and request the small or great Burgher Right, shall have to pay therefor:—for the great Burgher Right, fifty guilders and for the small, twenty guilders in Holland Currency or in beavers, the beaver counted at six guilders—Therefore the Treasurer Oloff Stevensen Cortlant is requested and ordered by the Burgomasters to regulate himself by the tenor thereof. Done, etc.

Monday, 28 June 1660. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren, The Hon^{ble} Director Gen^l Petrus Stuyvesant, Burgomasters Allard An-Allard, Marten Cregier.

Hendrick Willemsen, baker, appearing in Court is asked, why he refuses to pay his part of the expenses incurred in the construction of the *Heer Graght*; Answers, because they profit him nothing. Whereupon he is ordered to pay, or in default other means will be taken: Complains that by digging out the canal he lost 25 Canoes of stones, which were undermined. Was again asked if he will pay? Answers, Is not inclined to do so. Whereupon he was ordered to be removed to the prison chamber.

Hans Dreper appearing in Court, is asked, why he has not paid the expences for his part of the Canal, according to assessment? Answers that the General had exempted him therefrom in presence of Allard Anthony and Paulus Leendersen van der Grift, and whereas Hans Dreper has to sheet in front and at the side, Director General and Burgomasters, taking the same into consideration, order him to give only forty guilders.

Joghim Beeckman appearing in Court was, above asked, why he had not paid his part of the expences of the Canal aforesaid; and that the same must be paid. Answering, requests that he may not be taxed for it, as he knows no reason for it. He is, however, told that it must be even so. Whereunto he answers, he must bear what the Magistrates do; and whereas Joghim Beeckman represents his inability, he is allowed to pay

his imposed quota in three instalments, to wit, one instalment every half year. Says again, cannot do that, and whereas he manifests his unwillingness he was ordered to be removed to the prison chamber.

Coenraat ten Eyck appearing in Court was informed of the Costs incurred in the constructing of the *Heere Graght*, and that they must be paid. Whereupon he answers, he did not expect that they would have been charged to them, Saying he has more dirt than before, and derives no profit from it. Whereupon, he is told, that if he be not disposed to pay, means of payment will be found. Thereupon answers, if he must give, he must give, but maintains, that he is bound in justice, and would rather be excused ; then if others do so he shall do likewise. Then he is ordered to pay it on the Treasurer's order and in case of refusal, order shall be made.

Fredrick Lubbersen appearing in Court was told that the City required money, and that he must pay his imposed tax for the constructing of the *Graght* ; he complains of the taking away his lot &c, by which he suffered great loss. Wherefore he was allowed to pay his assessed quota in four instalments.

Hendrick Willemzen, baker, reëntering is ordered to pay his assessed quota in four instalments.

Joghim Beekman reappearing, is ordered to pay his quota in three instalments ; wherunto he answers, he cannot do it, and that the Magistrates can do, what they please.

The Court resolved, that those who have to pay to the *Graght* according to assessment in the year, shall pay, to wit—those who have heavy payments, in four instalments, and the lighter in three ; and that the Treasurer shall send a note to each house and cause them to be notified three times by Jan Gillisen Koeck, and after three refusals, have execution levied by the Officer, P. Tonneman.

After the Director General retired, Burgomasters resolved to request by petition a chimney tax as a subsidy from the Director General and Council.

To the Right Hon^{ble} Director General and Council of N: Netherland.

Right Hon^{ble},

The Burgomasters of this City respectfully represent to your Honors, that the necessary expences of this City yearly and from time to time in-

crease more and more, and on the contrary the trifling income thereof can neither reach nor pay the expenditure : And whereas, therefore, it is necessary to provide some subsidies for the keeping up the works necessary to be done for the City, the petitioners therefore request your Honors to be pleased to allow them to impose some chimney tax, whereby they may derive from each chimney or fireplace so much as Your Honors shall deem proper in your wise councils ; the imposed monies being to be collected every three months by the Treasurer of this City. Awaiting hereupon your Honors' favorable disposition, We are and remain Your Honors' subjects The Burgomasters of the City of Amsterdam in N. Netherland. Understood—By order of the same and was Signed Joannes Nevius Sec^r And at the Side Stood. Done Amsterdam in New Netherland the first July 1660.

On the 8th July, 1660, the Schout Nicasius deSille informs the Court of Burgomasters, that when he goes around at night and at unseasonable hours to make examination, the dogs make dangerous attacks on him. Requests therefore their Honors to take some order on it.

Burgomasters, with the Schout de Sille resolve to draft a Placard respecting the halloing after Indians in Pearl Street, and the cutting of the *Koeckies* which is done by boys.

Extract from the Register of Resolutions adopted by the Hon^{ble} Director Gen^l and Council of New Netherland on Tuesday, 25th May, A^o 1660.

Whereas Director General and Council of N: Netherland are informed by Burgomasters and Schepens of this City, and indeed perceive, that some newly arrived traders, Scots, factors and merchants have presumed not only to sell their goods and trade, but also to convey and send them to Fort Orange and elsewhere, without having asked for or obtained the Burgher Right here, which is directly violating and infringing the privilege of Burgher Right and the benefit thereof granted to the good inhabitants of this City, Wherein wishing to provide on the remonstrance and petition of said Burgomasters and Schepens, Director General and Council ordain that no newcoming traders, Scots, factors, or merchants shall have power to send or convey their goods from here to Fort Orange or elsewhere within this District of N: Netherland, unless they shall have first obtained the Burgher Right here, and in accordance with the order and instructions of the Hon^{ble} Lords Directors, keep an open store here a cer-

tain time, at least six weeks ; and all that provisionally until it shall be otherwise ordered by the Hon^{ble} Lords Directors or Director General and Council. Thus done in Fort Amsterdam in N: Netherland. Ady as above. Understood, Agrees with the aforesaid Resolution ; Was Signed

C. E. Ruyven, Secret^y

Whereas the Hon^{ble} Director General and Burgomasters have last year allowed to and ordained the Rector Carolus Curtius to take six guilders per quarter school money for each boy, and Burgomasters had, on these conditions allowed him a yearly salary from this City of two hundred guilders and whereas it has come to the Burgomasters ears, that the Rector, of his own pleasure takes one beaver per quarter from each boy which is contrary to the order ; Burgomasters do, therefore hereby give him warning and notice, not to take any more, than what is fixed upon by the Hon^{ble} Director General and Burgomasters, or through neglect thereof Burgomasters shall retain his Yearly Stipend, which the Rector receives from this City and he shall receive no further allowance from this City. Done Amsterdam in N: Netherland, the 9th August 1660.

The Schout Pieter Tonneman is hereby ordered by Burgomasters of this City, to direct and charge each and every one dwelling on the East River of this City, forthwith to build up the sheet piling before his house and lot, each for his own, and to remove the planks, timbers and other obstructions lying in the way, on the fine affixed thereunto, without respect of any person be he who he may. Done Amsterdam in N. Netherland the 10th September 1660.

The Schout Pieter Tonneman is hereby ordered and authorized by the Burgomasters of this City to go with one of the Schepens and inspect all the bakers to see, if they have duly weighed the bread ; also if the weights according to the custom of this City be duly stamped, and to enter against those not found so the penalty therein enacted ; and further to take care that no one in this City keep an open store unless those, who have obtained their Burgher Right, exhibiting the same, and in default thereof to enter a fine of five and twenty guilders against them and to close their Store. Done as above.

Friday, 24th Septemb^r 1660. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Marten Cregier, Allard Anthony.

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In order to prevent all fraud, Burgomasters resolve to appoint Sworn Butchers, who shall have the killing of all cattle to be consumed within this City's jurisdiction.

Friday, 15th Octob^r 1660. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Marten Cregier, Allard Anthony.

On the petition of the neighbours on both sides of the *Prince Graght*,* is apostilled:—Burgomasters order and direct each and every one to pave his lot before his door as far as his lot extends, this winter so far at least that it can be made use of a-foot, and Burgomasters shall make the vacant one by Joghim Beekman's, fitting or passable, as they shall find it most advantageous.

Symon Joosten appearing in Court was told, if he desires to be sworn butcher, he must first purchase his Burgher Right, paying therefor fl. 20. Holland currency. Symon Joosten declares, he is not desirous to be butcher, requesting, that he may sell his meat, that he may bring for Sale, on payment of the excise, and that he may not be troubled by the butcher. Which is allowed him.

Dirck Volckerzen appearing in Court is asked where he found the log he sold to Andrees Joghimsen? Answer, he fished it near the *Two Brothers* † by Hell Gate and did not cut it, and declares further, that the timber near his house belongs to Jan Coopal, and if he must restore the log demands salvage. Whereupon is answered, That he shall have it, when he can prove that he fished it.

Asser Levy, Eghbert Meindersen, Gerrit Jansen Roos, Roelof Jansen Veter Maacker, Jan van Haarlem, appear in Court, requesting to be sworn butchers, and are accepted by the Burgomasters on the following articles and oath.

INSTRUCTION FOR THE SWORN BUTCHERS.

First. They shall be bound to accommodate each and every one without delay, as much as is in their power, and bring with them their own tools necessary for slaughtering.

Secondly. They shall not kill any cattle before and until a proper

* Broad Str., betw. Beaver Str. and Exchange Place.

† Two small islands in the East R., East of Randall's Isl. and South of West Farms, Westchester Co.

permit shall be exhibited to them from the *Pachter* (Farmer of the Excise) for the animal to be killed, that it has paid the excise.

Thirdly. They shall be bound to kill all cattle which shall be offered for slaughtering within the jurisdiction of this City.

Fourthly. They shall and may demand and take for the slaughtering of each animal as follows:—

For one ox or cow.....Five guilders

For one hog.....One Dollar

For one sheep, calf, or goat.....One guilder

Other smaller animals in proportion.

Which articles having been read to the aforesaid persons, they are asked if they, or theirs, will submit to these articles? Answer, Yes; Then Asser Levy requests to be excused from killing hogs, as his religion does not allow him to do it; which was granted him. And they accordingly took the following Oath except Asser aforesaid, who took the oath, which the Jews are accustomed to take.

OATH FOR THE SWORN BUTCHERS.

We promise and swear in the presence of the Most High, that we shall honestly conform ourselves to the articles read to us; slaughter no animals within this City's jurisdiction except those, for which a proper permit is shewn to us, that the same are entered duly with the Farmer within this City's jurisdiction, and serve every one as much as lies in our power. So Truly Help us God Almighty!

PLACARD.

Whereas Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens of this City of Amsterdam in N. Netherland, in accordance with the laudable custom of our Fatherland and for the accommodation of the Burghers and inhabitants of this City have thought it expedient that sworn butchers be accepted and chosen who shall be empowered to slaughter all cattle to be consumed within this City's jurisdiction; They have, therefore, accepted and selected thereunto Eghbert Meinderzen, Asser Levy, Roelof Jansen Veter Maacker, Gerrit Janzen Roos, Jan van Haarlem, Pieter Janzen vande Lange Straat, Hendrick Volckerzen, Daniel Tournour, Paulus van de Beeck, Gerrit Fullewever, who are made known to the Commonalty that every one, who has any cattle to be slaughtered may speak to them, who as much as possible shall aid and accommodate every one; and they

may demand and receive for fees of one ox or cow five guilders ; for a hog, one dollar; for a sheep, calf, or goat one guilder ; other small animals in proportion: They interdict and forbid each and every one to kill or cause to be killed any cattle whatsoever except by the aforesaid sworn butchers, under the penalty of twenty five guilders to be applied as is proper. Thus done and ordained in Amsterdam in N. Netherland at the Court of the Hon^{ble} Schout, Burgomasters and Schepens the 15th Octobr 1660.

Monday, 18th Octob. 1660. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Pieter Tonneman, Marten Cregier, Allard Anthony, Cornelis Steenwyck.

Eghbert Meinderzen appearing in Court is told, that complaints are lodged against him by those, who bring meat to market here to sell, that he obliges them to purchase their Burgher Right first, before they sell any meat, and that he has caused them to be dunned for a day and a half until they get a permit; warning him not to do so any more, or that it shall be attended to.

Hendrick Volckertsen, Pieter Jansen vande Langh Straat, Daniel Tourneur, Master Paulus and Gerrit Fulwever appear in Court requesting to be sworn butchers in this City who are accepted as butchers by the Burgomasters after taking the oath, the articles of the instruction having been previously read to them.

Friday 29th Octob^r 1660. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Pieter Tonneman Marten Cregier, Allard Anthony.

The Schout, Pieter Tonneman, pltf. v/s Eghbert Meinderzen, butcher, deft. The pltf. says, that the deft. with one Willem Jansen van Borckeloo, unsworn butcher, has slaughtered and therefore entered the fine against him. He, nevertheless, has not given that over, but proceeded therein in direct opposition to the Placard therein enacted; therefore demanding from the deft. according to placard the fine of twenty five guilders with costs; requesting that he shall be forbidden to slaughter. Deft. says, that Willem Janzen only to help him in his necessity. Burgomasters condemn Eghbert Meyndersen in the penalty of 25 gl. according to Placard with costs; They interdict and forbid him to slaughter any more cattle for the space of six weeks from this date.

The Schout Pieter Tonneman, pltf. v/s Willem Janzen van Borckeloo, deft. The pltf. says, that the deft. not being a sworn butcher has against the Ordinance and Placard slaughtered cattle with Eghbert Meyndersen, and though he entered the fine against him, yet he did not leave off; demanding therefore the fine of twenty five guilders, with costs. Deft. says he had no knowledge of the Placard or of the existence of such Ordinance; and had also butchered heretofore and is bound to support his wife and children. Burgomasters condemn Willem Jansen van Borckeloo in a fine of twenty five guilders according to placard, with costs.

Moses Lucena appears in Court requesting to be a sworn butcher, which was granted him according to oath to be taken on the instruction of sworn butchers, and he has taken the same at the hands of the Officer agreeably to the oath of the Jews, having first requested not to be bound to kill any hogs; which was allowed him.

This date, 30th Octob^r 1660, Eghbert Meindersen presents to Burgomasters the following petition:—

To the Hon^{ble} Burgomasters of the City of Amsterdam in N. Netherland.

Eghbert Meindersen, butcher, respectfully represents, that he, the petitioner, has paid the fine, which your Honors had ordered to be paid; he, the petitioner, therefore respectfully requests, your Honor will be pleased to permit and allow him to slaughter along with the other sworn butchers within this City: Awaiting hereupon your Worships favorable Apostille, Which doing remains (Under Stood) Your obedient Servant,
signed Eghbert Meindersen.

Hereupon granted as apostille: Burgomasters through special consideration release petitioner from his condemned six weeks, with this reserve that he demean himself for the future as an honorable Burgher.

Willem Janzen van Borckeloo presents to the Burgomasters the following petition:—

To the Hon^{ble} Burgomasters Your Honours of the City Amsterdam in N: Netherland.

Willem Jansen van Borckelo respectfully represents to your Hon^{rs}, that he has settled with the Schout Pieter Tonneman for Your Hon^{rs} judgment. And whereas he is again inclined to earn a little by butchering,

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requests in all humility, that your Hon^{rs} may be pleased to accept him as a sworn butcher awaiting herein Your Honors favorable disposition. Remains (Understood) Your Hon^{rs} humble servant and was Signed

Willem Jansen.

On the above petition apostilled:—Petitioners request is granted on condition, that he previously take the proper oath at the hands of the Officer. Done Amsterdam in N: Netherland the 2^d Novemb^r 1660.

This date 3^d November 1660 Willem Jansen van Berckeloo has taken the oath of sworn butcher at the hands of the Officer.

This date 3^d Novemb^r 1660, the Burgomasters of this City have agreed with Jan Jansen Hagenaar and his son Jeremias for the making of four rods of pier to the pier at the Weighscales for the sum of two hundred and twenty five guilders in seawant and a half barrel of beer in addition.

Friday 31st Decemb^r 1660. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Pieter Tonneman, Allard Anthony, Jacob Strycker.

Barent Jacobsen Cool, Creyn Jacobsen, Jan Cornelissen of Vleesburgh, Tousyn Bryel, Isaack Abrahamsen appear in Court, who on the complaint of the Farmer of Beer and Wine are informed, that they are represented as having taken beer from the breweries and brought it to the Burghers houses without having a permit from the Farmer, in direct opposition to their oath, and doing so are declared perjured and as such deserve punishment, and he says that they brought an anker of strong beer to Joannes de Decker's house without a permit. Whereupon Creyn Jacobsen answers, 'tis a mistake of the Farmer's, as there was a permit for it and Mr. Decker knows it. The comparants were recommended not to remove any beer without having a permit for so doing.

This date is renewed the Placard against firing on New Years day, or planting May poles on May day or making a present of any drink to any person for that purpose.

Friday, 7th January 1661. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Allard Anthony, Marten Cregier.

On the petition of Pieter Tonneman, Schout of this City, wherein he requests a Yearly Salary of 500 guilders with stipulation where and at what time in the year he may draw and receive it, whether quarterly or half

yearly; is apostilled:—According to the means of this City's revenue, the petitioner shall receive the same allowance as his predecessor, to be credited on the books, like the other Magistrates in office, as well past as present; Done &c.

ORDER ON THE TREASURER.

The Treasurer, Oloff Stevensen van Cortlant, is hereby ordered by the Burgomasters of this City to collect and receive by Jan Jelissen Koeck the instalments due of the assessment for constructing the *Heeren Graght*. Done.

Jacob van Couwenhoven appears in Court requesting an order for the removal of the salt from his cellar by the owners, as it strains the timbers and boards by its weight. Answer was given him thereto, that he shall summon the owners by the next Court day, when the matter shall be terminated.

ORDER.

Jeremias Janzen is hereby ordered by the Burgomasters of this City to proceed with the making and completing the undertaken Pier, and to adjoin one to himself in the place of his dec^d father. Done &c.

ORDER.

The Fire Wardens are hereby ordered by the Burgomasters of this City to go around on the earliest opportunity and inspect all the fire-places and chimneys, if they be clean, in order to prevent such misfortunes as might happen by large collections of soot. Done etc.

NOTICE.

Whereas the Burgomasters of this City are intending to establish again a Rattle watch, therefore Every one is hereby notified, who is inclined to serve as watchman, to make himself known to the Burgomasters without delay.

The Schepen Cornelis Steenwyck appearing in Court on the petition, is informed that Jacob Van Couwenhoven has appeared in Court requesting, as the timbers of his house are breaking by the weight of the salt, that the salt may be removed from there. For this purpose he is sent for to hear his opinion and to give order with his knowledge. Whereupon Joannes vander Meulen, partner in the salt, appears in Court, who is ordered to remove the salt. Answers thereto; will look to it, when circumstances allow, and will speak to his partners about it. The Court of

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Burgomasters and presiding Schepen concluded to send the following order to Joannes Van der Meulen, *Cum Sociis*.

ORDER.

Joannes Van der Meulen, *Cum Sociis*, lessees of the cellarage of Jacob van Couwenhoven is hereby ordered and charged by the Burgomasters and president Schepen to remove within twenty four hours working time their salt, which they have in the cellar of the abovenamed Jacob Van Couwenhoven, on pain of making them responsible for the damage which may accrue through neglect. Done etc.

Monday, 10th January 1661. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Allard Anthony, Marten Cregier.

Burgomasters resolve to nominate two as Fire Warden in place of Joannes de la Montagne Junior as follows:—

Hon^{ble} Valiant

Whereas Joannes de la Montagne Junior, Firewarden, has moved his residence hence to N: Haarlem and it is necessary, that the place be supplied, Burgomasters of this City do therefore present by nomination to Your Honors the following persons:—

Burger Jorisen,

Evert Duyckingh.

Requesting, that your Honors may be pleased to elect him, whom your Honors shall please to such office. Done in the Court of Burgomasters of the City of Amsterdam in N: Netherland.

From the nominated the R^t Honble Director General of N: Netherland has elected and confirmed as FireWarden of this City Ever^t Duyckingh. Done fort Amsterdam in N: Netherland the 20th Jan^y 1661. Under Stood, By order of the Hon^{ble} Director General of N: Netherland.

Was signed. C. V: Ruyven, Sec^y

Lodouyck Pos requests to be Capt of the Rattle Watch^t, whereupon he is informed, that complaints were lodged heretofore against him: Returning is accepted by Burgomasters. Shall receive ten guilders per month, on condition, should fire break out, that he will repair thereto and attend to it; further to take care, that every one come to the Watch on his turn.

Cristiaan Teunizen appearing in Court is informed, that he cannot

be accepted at present as Watchman, as he lives outside the Gate at the Ferry, but should he reside within, and a place becoming vacant, attention shall be paid him.

Jan Cornelisen of Vlensburgh, Hendrick Hendrickzen van Doesburgh, Cornelis Hendrickz.; Drummer, Andries Andriesen, Cornelis Barenzen, Pieter Janzen van de Lange Straat, Pieter Jansen Werckendam, Matthys Muller, appearing in Court offer their services as Watchmen, and are accepted by Burgomasters as Watch. They shall receive eighteen guilders per month. They have taken the oath of fidelity to the instruction dated 12th Octob^r 1658, read to them with the following amplification.

AMPLIFICATION.

Item. If it happen, which God forbid, that any fires shall break out within this City, those not on duty shall forthwith proceed to the fire with their Captain.

Item. Any one being inclined to leave the Watch shall give fourteen days previous notice to the Burgomasters, in default whereof he shall not receive any pay for the month.

Friday, 14th January 1661. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Allard Anthony, Marten Cregier.

Lodouyck Pos appears in Court with Jan Jellisen Koeck, delivering in to Burgomasters, according to order, a list of all the inhabitants within this City; Whereupon was considered, whether the Companys servants shall be exempt from the Watch tax; and it was Resolved, No. Further resolved to go to the Director General and Council and to ask, whether their Honors had exempted the Company's servants from the Burgher excise both of beer and wine as well as the slaughter tax, as some of them are unwilling to pay the same. Lodouyck Pos returning states, that he has undertaken to make out a list in what street and to what corner of the street the Watch shall go and Call out (the hours); Which he is permitted to do, on condition, that he shew it.

M^r Paulus Van de Beeck appears in Court, exhibiting some a/c of those, who owe excise and are not inclined to pay; maintains they do owe. Requests information as he is about to settle with the Heer Treasurer. Whereupon he is told, that he shall be spoken to about it next Week.

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Burgomasters resolve, that whereas he is unwilling to pay excise; inasmuch as he receives an allowance from the City he also owes excise.

Monday 24th January 1661. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Allard Anthony, Marten Cregier, Cornelis Steenwyck.

The Court drafted the petition to be presented about the Scots to the Hon^{ble} Director General and Council.

COMMISSION.

Whereas Evert Duycking is elected Fire Warden by the R^t Hon^{ble} Director General and Council from those nominated by Burgomasters of this City, to act with the old Firewardens Hendrick Kip, the Elder, and Jan Jansen de Jongh, in place of Joannes de la Montagne Junior, the above named Evert Duycking is therefore hereby ordered and authorized to attend to and execute the said office of Fire Warden with the above-named FireWardens. Done Amsterdam in N: Netherland, 24th January 1661.

ORDER.

Whereas the Hon^{ble} Director General of N: Netherland has elected and confirmed the person of Evert Duyckinck as FireWarden in place of Joannes de la Montagne Junior, late FireWarden, therefore the Burgomasters of this City order the fire Wardens to go around within the time of thrice twenty four hours and inspect all fireplaces and chimnies, whether they be properly clean, to prevent all accidents which might proceed therefrom. Done Amsterdam in N: Netherland, the 25th January 1661.

Friday, 28th January 1661. In the City Hall. Present the Heeren Allard Anthony, Marten Cregier.

The Court directed, that an Order be given to the Fire Wardens to go around and inspect the chimnies, the tenor of which is as above.

The Treasurer Oloff Stevensen van Cortlandt appears in Court stating, that as his time of office regarding the City revenue is nearly expired, he is come to know, if there be any thing else to be ordered.

Oloff Stevensen van Cortlant States, that the Orphan Masters of this City have sent divers orders to Jeremias Jansen to exhibit to the Orphan Master per inventory the estate left by his father Jan Jansen Hagenaar

dec^d, but to this date he has not obeyed them; requesting, therefore, an Order from Burgomasters.

ORDER.

Jeremias Janzen. Whereas you are unwilling, to render an inventory to the Orphan Chamber of this City of the estate left by Jan Jansen Hagenaar, your deceased father; You are therefore hereby ordered and directed by the Burgomasters of this City, to exhibit the same to the abovenamed Orphan Chamber in the space of three items four and twenty hours, or in default, Burgomasters shall be necessitated to cause it to be done. Actum etc.

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